

tank, and continued up to the bar. To avoid suspicion, I ordered another glass of beer and sat at the bar for three or four minutes. I then left and walked south on Troost about two hundred feet, where I was joined about a minute later by Agent Bryce. He informed me that he had spotted the men who appeared to be the ones we were seeking, so we went back to the Buick parked on 34th Street and decided to wait there until these people left the tavern. Agent Bryce said that one of the men answered the description of Leo. Accordingly, it was decided to make a more definite identification, if possible, when they came out, and then apprehend him.

At this point, I left the car and walked about a half block north on Troost to a small restaurant, where I telephoned Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller and advised him of all developments that had occurred up to that point; when I returned to the car I was informed that a person answering the description of Leo had come out of 3407 Troost, accompanied by a woman carrying a black hand trunk, and that both parties had walked west on the south side of 34th Street, passing the Buick car in which Agents Bryce and Farry, together with Deputy Sheriff Calloway, were seated. I immediately swung the Buick car around and drove west on 34th Street to Harrison, the first street west of Troost, where I turned south. We then saw a woman carrying what appeared to be a black hand trunk, walking on the east side of Harrison toward Armour Boulevard, or 35th Street. It was apparent at that time that the man who previously was walking with her had disappeared in the short distance of less than half a block. Consequently, I drove the car south to Armour Boulevard, turned east one block to Troost, and then drove north on Troost to a point at about 200 feet south of 34th Street, where I parked the car on the east side of Troost. Agent Bryce and I immediately walked north on Troost and turned the corner of 34th Street and started up 34th Street in a westerly direction on the south side of the street. It will be noted at this point that the person described as Leo by Jess Doyle during the interviews had with him while he was held in the Wyandotte County Jail, had never been seen by me. Agent Bryce and I passed a man going east on the south side of 34th Street toward Troost at a point midway between Troost and Harrison. After passing by him for approximately 50 feet, Agent Bryce said to me, "That's him." When it was thought that he had turned the corner, Agent Bryce and I immediately turned around and hurried back in the direction he had been going. When we reached the corner of 34th and Troost, I saw this man talking with another man in front of 3407 Troost, and then saw him hurriedly walk south on the east side of Troost toward 35th Street, followed by a tall man wearing a dark coat and a derby hat, who was in turn followed by another tall man, dressed in like manner, who had apparently just come out of 3407 Troost at the time the man answering the description of Leo had first come up. I immediately started diagonally across the car tracks on Troost in pursuit, and at that time the three men began to run. At this point Agent Bryce went toward the door of 3407 Troost. The short

man, answering the description of Leo and the one who had been previously seen accompanied by the woman carrying the black handbag, was about three-quarters of a block or a full block ahead and in the lead, followed by the other two men. At a point approximately 150 feet north of Armour Boulevard and on the east side of Troost Street, is the Il Trovatore Cafe, where the last man was seen to enter. Upon reaching the entrance to this cafe, I grabbed this person, wheeled him around, told him I was a federal officer. He appeared to be slightly under the influence of liquor, and made attempts to break away. He also made a reach for his pocket, but I grabbed both of his arms, and after beckoning to Agent Parry, who had driven the Bureau Buick south on Troost Street to a point directly opposite to where I had apprehended this man, held him on the sidewalk in front of the Il Trovatore Cafe. At that time Agent Bryce came up and we placed the man, whom I recognized to be Russell "Spike" Lane, in the Buick driven by Agent Scott, which had pulled up on the east side of Troost. We immediately attempted to discover where the other two had gone, but were unsuccessful in locating them. No information in this regard could be obtained from Lane, and after several attempts to discover the other two in the alley to the rear of the Il Trovatore Cafe, and in the vicinity, I drove back to the Kansas City Bureau Office with Agents Parry and Bryce, while Agent Scott returned to this office with Special Agent Clary, together with Deputy Sheriff Calloway and Lane.

Upon returning to the Bureau Office, I immediately notified Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller by telephone and advised him of what had taken place. In addition to the above, I also advised him that when Lane had been placed in the car he had made further attempts to reach his overcoat pocket, which, upon examination, revealed the presence of a .45 caliber loaded revolver. He was questioned thoroughly in the Kansas City Bureau Office by myself and other Agents, but refused to disclose any information relative to the two men who were with him, except to say that they had both been living at 4915 Troost, the one answering the description of Leo under the name of Charles Mitchell, and the other person under the name of Johnny Jackson. He stated that he did not know anyone out there by the name of Leo. Further, he remarked that Mitchell had not been living there of late, and that he, Lane, had only been there for about the last three weeks. Acting upon the information received from Lane that he had spent the last two nights at the Midlor Hotel, which is located on the northeast corner of 33rd and Troost, Agents O'Mahoney, Vandover, Bryce, Parry, and myself proceeded immediately to the Midlor Hotel, where inquiries were made concerning Lane and his associates. Lane had told me that he had registered there under the name of Frank Orchard, which proved to be the truth, but no information concerning anybody else could be obtained at the Midlor. Lane later said that the possible reason for this was that when Johnny Jackson had come there on February 20 or 21, he, Lane, alone had registered. After a lengthy questioning, Lane was

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brought by me, accompanied by Special Agent Vandover and Deputy Sheriffs John Kelly and Calloway, to the Jackson County Jail, where he was booked on a charge of investigation. At this time I was informed by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly that Lane was also wanted by him for questioning in the robbery of the Webb City, Missouri, bank, and that he would be held also on that charge. Immediately thereafter, Special Agent Vandover and the two deputies and myself proceeded to a disreputable hotel located at 6807 Independence Road, where Lane had been residing. There it was found that Lane had simply been occupying a single room, and nothing of value in this case was discovered. The following morning, February 23, I was advised by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly that the state would prefer charges of carrying concealed weapons against Lane.

It should be noted here that, except for the information received from Jess Doyle that Leo lived at 4915 Troost and that the person seen to leave the tavern at 3407 Troost, accompanied by the woman, answered the description of Leo as given by Jess Doyle, there were no other indications that the person who eluded the Agents on the evening of February 22, was Leo. However, when, in response to questions put to Lane in this connection, he indicated by his evasive answers that he was lying, as far as knowledge of a person by the name of Leo was concerned. The .45 caliber revolver which was taken from Lane is now in the possession of the Kansas City Bureau Office. The description of the same is as follows: United States Army Model 1909, #32851.

Respectfully submitted,

R. F. SHANAHAN
Special Agent

RFS:BN
7-37

Kansas City, Mo.
February 24, 1935

Scott

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RE: BUCKID

This memorandum is submitted as suggested by Acting Special Agent in Charge Miller in regard to the investigation which occurred on the night of February 22, 1935, for the purpose of locating a party known as Leo in the vicinity of 3407 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri.

At about 10 p.m., February 22, Special Agent Bryce called at my room in the Pickwick Hotel, requesting me to come with him, as he had learned that the parties who had been living on Troost Street and for whom the Agents of the Bureau had been looking, were leaving. This Agent and Agent Bryce proceeded by Bureau auto with all possible haste to Special Agent Clary's residence, where he was picked up, this being near 34th and Troost. The three of us then proceeded to the neighborhood of 34th and Troost Street, where a deputy sheriff was to have met us, this deputy having followed two parties from an apartment building at 4915 Troost. We were unable to locate the deputy sheriff, due to the fact that none of us knew the officer by sight or by name. All the information the writer had was that the deputy sheriff was to be met at 34th and Troost. Being unable to locate the deputy sheriff, Agents Bryce, Clary, and the writer proceeded to the apartment further out on Troost Street, where it was alleged two men had been seen leaving with a bag. After cruising around and finding the apartment in darkness, and as no one was in sight, it was decided to return to the office. However, it was deemed advisable by Agent Bryce to stop by the beer parlor at 3407 Troost Street to ascertain if any suspects could be found there who fitted the description of the party sought.

Agents Bryce, Clary, and the writer entered the beer parlor, took seats and ordered a glass of beer apiece, in order to avoid attracting attention. We began talking in a casual way while looking over the numerous parties there. As the information I had concerning the party sought was very meager, I looked to Agent Bryce to take the lead, as he had worked on the case and was more familiar with the details. The three of us chatted for some time until finally Agent Bryce stated that a party standing at the bar somewhat fitted the description of the man sought, but that he was not positive, as he had never seen him and was not sure of his description. The three of us then noticed Agent Shanahan come in and sit at the bar, but we all withheld recognition at the time. In about 15 minutes, Agent Shanahan left, and was followed by Agent Bryce, who advised Agent Clary and myself to remain inside and watch the patrons while Bryce talked to Shanahan. In about 15 minutes more a party left the beer parlor carrying a large suitcase, with a woman. Shortly afterwards two other men left. In about three minutes Agent Bryce beckoned to us to come on the outside, as the three parties were

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believed to have gone into a nearby cafe, and we were going to try to pick them up and question them. This Agent immediately turned the car around, pulled up in front of the cafe, and in a minute Spike Lane was brought out. He was put in the car, and this Agent proceeded to put handcuffs on him. The deputy sheriff had come up, and he got in the rear seat with Lane. The latter began reaching for the pocket of his overcoat, which had been laid in the rear seat while the handcuffs were being adjusted. The deputy sheriff searched the coat and found a loaded .45 caliber Colt revolver in one pocket. This gun was immediately removed and later carried to the Bureau Office, where it is now held. Being unable to locate the other two men, this Agent, together with Agent Clary and Deputy Sheriff Calloway, proceeded with Lane to the Kansas City Bureau Office for questioning by Agents Bryce and Shanahan.

It appears desirable to add that, so far as known to this Agent, neither of the parties who left the beer parlor ahead of Lane has ever been definitely identified as Leo, the party sought. As before stated, I relied on the suggestions of Agent Bryce, due to the fact that he had worked on the case in question, while I have had no close connection with the investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

N. O. SCOTT
Special Agent

NOS:BN
7-37

Kansas City, Mo.
February 24, 1936

Parry

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RE: BREKID

This memorandum covers my activities on the night of February 22, 1935, in connection with efforts made by Agents of this office to apprehend one John Doe, alias Leo.

At approximately ten o'clock on the night of February 22, I was called by the night clerk of the Kansas City Bureau Office and asked to report immediately to the office, where he informed me that a deputy sheriff had called and stated that he had trailed two men from an apartment at 4915 Troost Avenue to a beer tavern at 3407 Troost, and that these men were the parties that had been living at this apartment and he understood that the Bureau wanted these men. I called Acting Special Agent in Charge Miller for further instructions and was told to get a car and pick him up enroute to the address mentioned. However, before I left Agent Shanahan came to the office, and was instructed by Mr. Miller to leave immediately with me to this beer tavern.

We proceeded there where the car was parked near the entrance, and Agent Shanahan went into the tavern and came out about three minutes later, saying he did not recognize the man sought as being in the tavern. He noticed the car of the deputy sheriff parked almost opposite the tavern on 34th Street running into Troost, and drove there, picking up Deputy Sheriff Calloway, who informed us that he lived in the apartment next door to 4915 Troost, and on arriving home the manager's daughter had pointed out two men who she said had been living in the apartment that Agents from this office had formerly had under surveillance. These men were both dressed in black overcoats and wore derby hats and carried a large black bag. Calloway had watched these men enter a taxi and had followed in his own car to the tavern at 3407 Troost, where he had seen them enter, and he had then called the Bureau Office.

Our car was at this time facing the tavern on the side street, where we had a good view of the front of the tavern, and Agent Shanahan noticed Agents Scott and Clary enter the tavern. We understood that before we left the office Agents Clary, Bryce and Scott had proceeded to this tavern, but did not know that the deputy sheriff was there, as they had left before he had told the office of his location there. Shanahan went over to the tavern, but passed down in front of it, and a short time later Agent Bryce came over to the car and was given all the facts by Calloway. Shanahan then came back to the car and said he was going to phone Agent Miller. Shortly after he left, a man wearing a brown overcoat and light hat and carrying a large black bag came from the tavern, accompanied by a woman. This couple walked across Troost Street and up 34th Street, passing

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our car. - Calloway was sure that the bag was the one that the two men carried whom he had followed from the apartment, but said that the man with the woman was not one of them. Agent Shanahan returned at this time and was told of this fact and said that the man apparently fitted the description of Lee. He swung the car around and at the next block we noticed the woman with the bag, but the man had disappeared. We continued around the block and parked almost in front of the tavern. Shanahan and Bryce agreed to walk up the block in the direction taken by the man and woman, while Calloway was to go around the block in the other direction. I was told to wait in the car.

Shanahan and Bryce had just turned the corner when the man who had carried the bag from the tavern came across the street and went into the tavern, evidently passing the two Agents on the sidewalk. The Agents were on their way back across the street when this same man came from the tavern and was followed by a tall thin man wearing a derby and hastily getting into a black overcoat. These men broke into a trot and passed the car in which I was sitting and disappeared down the street. Agents Shanahan and Bryce were about half way across the street from them when they came from the tavern. As it appeared probable that one of these two men had been met by Agents Shanahan and Bryce as they turned off of Troost Street, as aforementioned, and as those Agents were more familiar with the details of this case, I concluded that they did not believe either of the two men was the party sought.

Immediately after these men ran from the tavern, another individual came from the tavern, wearing a derby hat and carrying a black coat. This man went down the street in the direction of the first two men. Agent Shanahan entered the car and we turned around and went down the street in the same direction, and about three quarters of a block down we noticed this last man going into another tavern. We stopped and Shanahan went across the street and met this last man as he was leaving this tavern and stopped him. I went across and at the same time Agent Bryce, who had gone down the street on foot, came up. Shanahan recognized this man as "Spike" Lane, former tavern owner in Kansas City. Lane readily admitted this, but would not tell who the other individuals were.

At this point the other car drove up, containing Agents Clary and Scott and Deputy Sheriff Calloway. Lane was turned over to them and Agents Bryce, Shanahan, and myself went into two or three taverns in the neighborhood looking for the other two, but could find no trace of them. We then all returned to the office with Lane in custody. Lane was questioned concerning places these other two men might be, he having identified them as John Jackson, the man in the derby, and Charley Mitchell, the man who had carried the bag from the tavern.

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Having obtained two or three addresses where these parties might be, I accompanied Agents O'Mahoney, Shanahan, Bryce, and Vandover, and Deputy Sheriff Galloway to these spots, but the men were not located. We then returned to the office and were dismissed, it now being about three o'clock in the morning.

Respectfully submitted,

V. I. PARRY
Special Agent

VIP:BN
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Kansas City, Missouri
February 24, 1935

Bryce

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

RE: BREKID

The following memorandum is submitted in accordance with instructions from Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller, with reference to my activities on the evening of February 22, 1935.

About 10 p.m., February 22, 1935, Agent Miller, Acting Special Agent in Charge, called me at my hotel room, Pickwick Hotel, and stated that two men had left the apartment which had been under our surveillance at 4915 Troost, for the purpose of apprehending John Doe, alias Leo, stating that a deputy sheriff had followed these people from 4915 Troost to 3407 Troost, where he now was watching these men from his car. Agent Miller advised that I pick up all available Agents to accompany me to 3407 Troost Street. Agent Scott, who lives at the Pickwick Hotel, and I went to the Professional Garage, got a Bureau automobile, and drove to the home of Agent Clary, where he was waiting for us, having been called by telephone and told to be ready to go with us. He immediately drove from Agent Clary's home, which is in the vicinity of 3407 Troost, to the 3407 Troost Street address, but we failed to locate any deputy sheriff in that vicinity. After cruising the streets for a few minutes, we drove back to 3407 Troost Street and looked this place over carefully, not seeing anyone there that looked like a deputy sheriff. We then drove to 4915 Troost Street, the apartment where Leo was supposed to have resided, and his apartment was found to be dark. We then drove back to 3407 Troost Street and parked the Bureau car some distance from 3407, and went into this saloon, sitting down at one of the tables, and in order to not arouse suspicion, each ordered a glass of beer. While we were sitting at this table, Agent Shanahan came into the place, and sat down at the bar. He did not openly recognize Agent Shanahan, but when he left this saloon I immediately followed him out on the street, and Agent Shanahan informed me that Agent Parry and a deputy sheriff by the name of Calloway were parked across the street in another Bureau automobile. We crossed the street to where Agent Parry and the deputy sheriff were waiting in the car, and Agent Shanahan and I got into this Bureau car and were talking about what should be done as to making either of these men for Leo. During the conversation that was held there, we decided that if anyone could positively identify any man in this saloon as being Leo, we would arrest him and all that accompanied him from the saloon. While we were discussing this matter, a man and woman came from the front of 3407 Troost; the woman was carrying a suitcase, and both crossed the street and walked past the car that we were sitting in. The deputy sheriff then made the statement that that looked like the suitcase that he saw two men carry from 4915 Troost earlier in the evening, but that it was not the man that carried the suitcase from the building. After passing the car we were sitting in, this unknown

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man ducked into an alley. We turned the car around and drove past the woman, and, the man not being with her, drove on by around the block, back in the vicinity of 3407, where Agent Shanahan and I were going to walk around the block to see if we could apprehend and question the man that was seen to leave 3407 with the woman. As we turned off Troost Street on to 33rd, a man passed us, who we decided was the man that had passed with the woman a few minutes before. We walked past this man with the intention of letting him go to the saloon and contact the other men that he had been with in there, and then picking up all of the men at the same time, for questioning. This man knocked on the door of 3407 Troost, and immediately broke into a run, going south on Troost Street. There was another man that followed him, who had run out of the saloon door at 3407, going in the same direction. As we ran across the street, another man came out of 3407 and started after the other two. He was stopped and held for questioning by Agent Shanahan. We immediately handcuffed this man and put him in one of the Bureau-owned Buicks, in custody of Agents Scott and Clary and the deputy sheriff. Agents Shanahan, Parry and I searched the vicinity for the other two men, who had turned in through a taxi stand in the 3400 block on Troost. These men we failed to find. Upon questioning the suspect that had been picked up by Agent Shanahan, we found him to be Russell "Spike" Lane, a well known gangster of this city, and an ex-convict from Leavenworth Penitentiary. He had in his possession one .45 caliber Colt pistol in an overcoat pocket. We brought Lane to this office. We further questioned him until 4:30 a.m., when he was turned over to the local authorities at the Sheriff's office, and he is now being held on a charge of carrying concealed weapons by the County Sheriff.

The cause of the delay and the reason that these men were not arrested at 3407 Troost, were that no one knew Leo or had other than a meager description of Leo and the man accompanying him. It was our intention at first to follow one of the men that was seen to come from 4918 Troost Street, after he left the saloon, to a hotel or apartment house where he was living, and to later raid this residence for the purpose of apprehending all of the boys that were connected with Leo and this man and that were known to associate with Leo. Rather than creating a lot of excitement and publicity by picking these persons up in the saloon at 3407 Troost Street, we decided that it would be better to wait until they left this place before placing them under arrest. This was a matter of discussion when the first man left 3407 with the woman, and later returned and knocked on the door and ran.

It also appears desirable to add that the saloon in question was being well patronized by a holiday crowd, and due to the apparent character of the place and its patrons and our doubtful identification of any of the patrons, it was deemed unwise to question any of the parties in the place.

As previously stated, these matters were being discussed with Deputy Sheriff Calloway at the time the man and woman left the place, carrying the suitcase. Mr. Calloway stated that this was not one of the two men he had seen leave the apartment building which was believed to be Leo's place of residence, at 4915 Troost, and that he had never seen this man around that apartment building, it being noted that Mr. Calloway resides in the adjacent building. Under these circumstances, as the man and woman carrying the suitcase left the saloon, there followed considerable discussion as to whether the man should be stopped. Mr. Calloway's failure to identify this man as having been seen around 4915 Troost resulted in some delay, until it was finally decided that no harm could be done by stopping the man, as by that time he had progressed far enough that he could be stopped without Agents' actions being seen by parties in the saloon from which he had just come. The man's suspicions apparently had been aroused in some way, as he immediately left the woman and started to run when we finally decided to follow him and question him. During our discussions of the procedure to be followed, we considered the probability that Leo would return to the address at 4915 Troost Street if nothing was done to create any suspicion, whereas if we questioned any of his associates who had just come from that place, but failed to find Leo, the information would reach Leo and he would then stay away from the apartment address mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. BRYCE
Special Agent

DAB:BN
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Kansas City, Missouri
February 24th, 1935.

Clary
Re: Brekid case

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

Pursuant to oral request, submit herewith memorandum covering my activities on Friday, February 22nd, 1935, in connection with attempts to apprehend one "Leo".

Shortly before 10 PM, Friday, February 22, 1935, night clerk Master of the Kansas City Bureau office phoned my apartment. I was unable to answer the phone due to the fact that at that time I was taking a bath. My room-mate Special Agent B. P. Cruickshank talked with Master and informed me that Special Agent D. A. Bryce would pick me up in about ten minutes, that the occupants of the apartment near 49th and Troost were moving out.

At this point it is noted that earlier in the week this agent had assisted in the surveillance of an apartment located at 4915 Troost, Kansas City, Mo. It was the understanding of this agent that this apartment was rented by one Mitchell; that information concerning the location of this apartment was obtained from Jess Doyle and/or Edna Murray; that it was supposedly the "hang-out" of one Leo, who had harbored Volney Davis and Edna Murray; that it was desired to arrest the present occupants of this apartment in case they attempted to move out of this apartment.

In approximately ten or fifteen minutes, the writer was picked up in a Division Buick driven by Special Agent D. A. Bryce who was also accompanied by Special Agent W. O. Scott. We then proceeded to 34th and Troost St. and parked the car on Troost Street facing south. Special Agent Bryce then went to a beer tavern located at 3407 Troost St. in an endeavor to locate a deputy sheriff who was supposed to be watching this place. Special Agent Bryce was unsuccessful in locating this man and returned to the car.

Special Agent Scott, who is acquainted with Deputy Sheriff Kelley and other deputies, then entered this beer tavern in an effort to locate the deputy, while Special Agent Bryce and the writer waited outside. While waiting outside, a man (who had never been seen before by the writer) was observed leaving. Special Agent Bryce informed the writer that he was going to "tail" this man, and instructed that the Bureau car be driven around the corner and parked on the south side of Armour Boulevard near Troost. The man had walked south Troost and Special Agent Bryce followed him in that direction.

Shortly thereafter, Special Agent Scott came out and stated that he had found none of the deputies within. The writer then drove the Bureau car to the location designated by Special Agent Bryce and parked. Special Agent Scott remained in the car with the motor running, while this agent

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walked back to the corner of Troost and Armour Blvd. with the idea in mind to keep Special Agent Bryce in sight in case he had further instructions or would wish the car quickly. After about ten minutes he returned to the car stating that the man had taken a taxi and gone north. We drove to Linwood and Tracy, which, in the opinion of Special Agent Bryce was the destination to which this cab was going. Upon reaching this point, the cab was not in sight. We then drove past the apartment at 4915 Troost Street and found that it was dark.

Special Agent Bryce then decided we should return to the beer tavern at 3407 Troost Ave. The Bureau car was parked on Troost facing north approximately one hundred feet south of the beer tavern. Special Agent Scott, who had been driving, locked the car and kept the keys. Upon entering this place, it was found that the most practical place for observation was a small table situated in back of a pillar towards the rear of the tavern. From this position, it was possible for one of the three of us to observe activities in all parts of the front of the tavern.

It was thought possible that we might find it necessary to remain in this place for sometime. We, therefore, ordered a glass of beer as an excuse for remaining. We observed the occupants casually, in an indifferent and impersonal manner so as to avoid attracting any attention.

We arrived at this place shortly before 11 PM. In a few minutes, Special Agent R. P. Shanahan was observed to enter the tavern. We did not speak to him or make any sign of recognition. After a few minutes Special Agent Shanahan left. Special Agent Bryce told Special Agent Scott and the writer where he was going - to talk with Shanahan - and that we were to remain where we were until he returned.

During the time this agent was in the beer tavern there were possibly fifty people there drinking and dancing. Incidentally, any number of the men were of the type who might have been the ones we were looking for. At this point, it is noted that neither Special Agent Scott nor the writer had ever seen the man supposed to be "Leo" and had only a general description of him and his associates.

About 11:30 PM, Special Agent Scott saw Special Agent Bryce outside signal for us to come out. He stated that "all three of them are in the cafe down the street and we are going to pick them up". Special Agent Bryce instructed Special Agent Scott and the writer to turn the car and bring it up in front of the El Trovatore Cafe. This was done. As soon as we arrived, Agents Bryce and Shanahan brought out a subject (later identified as "Spike" Lane) who was placed in the rear seat of the Bureau car after being searched for concealed weapons. His overcoat was placed in the rear seat and he was seated on his coat. Handcuffs were immediately placed on Lane by Special Agent Scott. Shortly thereafter, Deputy Sheriff Calloway - who had entered the car and was sitting in the rear seat with Lane - discovered Lane reaching under him, and upon investigating, found

a loaded .45 Colt revolver in Lane's overcoat pocket. This was taken away from him by Deputy Sheriff Calloway.

It was learned from Special Agents Bryce and Shannahan that two other men, one of whom was supposed to be "Lee" had eluded capture. At no time did this agent encounter or see anyone who appeared to be running or attempting to escape. However, it is noted that the escapes were accomplished at or near the Il Trovatore Cafe which is approximately one-half block from the tavern in which this agent and Special Agent Scott were placed.

While in the beer tavern a man with a light felt hat was observed near the front end of the bar. Special Agent Bryce indicated that he thought this man might be "Lee" but he was not sure. The writer, from his position, could not observe this person continuously. It was observed that the man later arrested as Spike Lane did talk to this man with the gray hat, as did several other men. Later in the evening a man and woman were observed leaving this place with a large handbag. In conversation afterwards with Deputy Sheriff Calloway, it was learned that this man and woman were the ones in question and that the man was the one who had left the apartment with Spike Lane. However, it is noted at this point that neither Special Agent Scott or the writer had the benefit of Deputy Sheriff Calloway's information at the time we were in the beer tavern. Neither was it known, until after the arrest had been made, that Spike Lane was a subject in this investigation.

Spike Lane informed this agent while being interviewed at the Kansas City Bureau office, that the man with the gray hat with whom he talked at the tavern was Mitchell - the renter of the apartment at 4915 Troost St., Kansas City, Mo.

Spike Lane was taken to the Kansas City Division office in the Bureau car and was there interviewed by other agents. Special Agent W. E. Miller and I remained with Lane while the remaining agents made further investigation at addresses secured from Lane. During this time, the writer made an inventory of personal property found in Lane's possession, and the information set forth above was secured.

Respectfully submitted,

V. R. Clary
Special Agent

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
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March 2, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I. O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O.1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases - I. O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases - I. O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases - I. O. 1240; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to the Jacksonville Office letter to the Bureau on February 19, 1935, showing the situation in the Dade County Jail at Miami, Florida, where Dolores De Laney and Wynona Burdette have been incarcerated.

Please be advised that Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons advised me today that Federal Judge Halsted Ritter at Miami, had signed an order today for the removal of these two women to the Duval County Jail at Jacksonville. When they are transferred by the Marshal, the Bureau will be promptly advised.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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E. J. Connelley - Chicago

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February 16, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237, et al
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During the week ending February 16, 1935, Edna Murray and Jess Doyle, who were taken into custody at Pittsburg and Girard, Kansas, respectively, on February 7, 1935, were turned over to the U. S. Marshal on February 10, 1935, for removal to St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Stanley, brother and sister-in-law of Edna Murray, are being held at Topeka, Kansas, on charges of harboring.

On February 12, 1935, Nathan Heller returned from Cuba to Miami, Florida, where he was taken into custody by the U. S. Marshal. The original bond of \$2,500.00 was reduced on February 13, 1935, to \$1,000.00, which bond has not yet been made by Heller. Cassius McDonald is being held in default of \$25,000.00 bond and reports from the Jacksonville Office indicate that McDonald is becoming worried over the possibility of a successful prosecution against him.

Bruno Putas, alias Bruno Austin, Chicago, Illinois Police Department No. C-49140, has been found to be identical with "Whitie", named in the conspiracy indictment. Putas is presently in the custody of the Chicago Police Department.

On February 14, 1935, Matt Gleason was arraigned before the United States Commissioner at Chicago, Illinois, on charges of harboring Volney Davis at Aurora, Illinois, February 6th and 7th, 1935. The hearing was continued to February 21, 1935 and Gleason was held under bond of \$2,000.00.

The Thompson machine gun, No. 7679, found in the apartment of Arthur R. Barker, has been traced through the records of the Auto Ordnance Company, New York, to South St. Paul, Minnesota, (Police Department), where it was stolen from one of the officers on August 30, 1933, during the hold-up of the Stock Yards National Bank.

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Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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Post Office Box 4907
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March 2, 1935

E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Box 818
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. 1234;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases - I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON - with aliases - I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases - I. O. 1240; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to your circular letter of February 14, 1935, to all Bureau Offices enclosing photostatic copies of the application made by Volney Davis under the alias George Lawrence Harper to "The Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" of Denver, Colorado, to which letter there was attached a photostatic copy of the list of ladies' names forwarded to Volney Davis by the Club.

The only one of these ladies residing within the district of this office is recorded in the list as Miss Beatrice Dellus, Box 1897, Miami, Florida. Please be advised that Special Agent (A) R. L. Tollett on February 25, 1935, contacted Beatrice Dellus, who is identical with Beatrice Dellus. This woman is a romance-seeking practical nurse and stated during the interview that she is a member of the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" of Denver Colorado, and had received some letters from male members of said Club, but had never received a letter from G. L. Harper or G. L. Sawyer.

Zane Dellus, elder sister of Beatrice, is a graduate nurse and more sober-minded. She can always be reached through the Dade County Nurses Exchange, 718 Florida National Bank Building, Miami. She stated that her sister, Beatrice, was always in contact

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with her and she would immediately notify the Jacksonville Office if any one by the name of Harper or Haysar communicated with Beatrice, or if any one of Volney Davis' description communicated with or called on Beatrice in Miami. Zane Dellus was furnished with an identification order on Volney Davis.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Bureau
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P.O. Drawer 567
San Francisco, California.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 2118,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232.
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236.
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237.
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WILLIAM HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239.
HARRY GATLIN, with aliases, I.O. #1240.
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.

Confirming your letter of February 26, 1935, and telegram dated February 27, 1935, with reference to the heavy black coat mailed to 3547 Sabina Street, San Francisco, California.

A discreet investigation was made relative to this street, and it was found that there is no such street as Sabina Street either in San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, or San Leandro. Both the city and telephone directories were searched, which failed to reflect either a street named Sabina Street, or the name E. Board.

However, there is a street by the name of Sabia Place, in this city, which is a short street beginning at 738 California Street, and running approximately three-quarters of a block. This being located in the heart of Chinatown, it is thought that this is not the street referred to by you.

It is suggested that your office make further inquiry as to the correct name and address of the street to which this coat was shipped, and notify this office.

Very truly yours,

c. Bureau.
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c.c. E. J. Connelley.

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E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

February 28, 1935.

Hon. George F. Sullivan,
United States Attorney,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O. 1218, FUG; ARTHUR R.
BARKER, with aliases; VOLNEY
DAVIS, with aliases, FUG.
I.O. 1237; HARRY CAMPBELL, with
aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH
P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.
1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER, Victim. KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February
27, 1935, in which you request certain specific investigations in
captioned case.

Please be advised that these matters have been put
in line for immediate attention and copies of the reports will
be submitted to your office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

February 28, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, FUG; ARTHUR R.
BARKER, with aliases; VOLNEY
DAVIS, with aliases, FUG. I.O.
1237; HARRY CAMPBELL, with
aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto you will find two copies of a
letter from Honorable George F. Sullivan, United States Attorney,
St. Paul, Minnesota, addressed to the St. Paul Bureau Office re-
questing additional investigation in captioned case.

Will you please have the necessary investigation
conducted in the Chicago district as requested by Mr. Sullivan?

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. BOX 1136,
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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 689,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:-

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218,
Fugitive; Harry Campbell, with aliases,
I.O. #1236; Volney Davis, with aliases,
I.O. #1237; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with
aliases, I.O. #1232; Harry Sawyer, with
aliases, I.O. #1240; William Weaver, with
aliases, I.O. #1238; William J. Harrison,
with aliases, I.O. #1239; Myrtle Eaton,
with aliases, I.O. #1241; et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim. KIDNAPING

I have before me the Protective Bulletin of the
American Bankers Association, for February, 1935, which carries
photographs of Alvin Karpis and one Harry Campbell.

Please be advised that the photograph of Campbell
appearing therein does not appear to be the Harry Campbell in-
volved in the Bremer Kidnaping. This is called to your attention
for your information.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANAU,
Special Agent in Charge

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says he does not.

Edgar Backus.

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FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #3

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POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.
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1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,
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I.O. 1241; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
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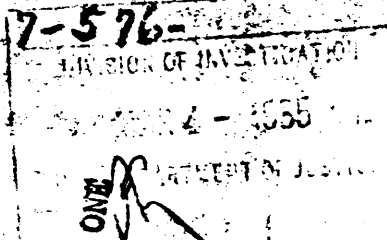
It will be appreciated if you will confer with the United States Attorney at St. Paul to determine the date of the trial in the above mentioned case at St. Paul. This information is particularly desired at this time in order that this office may have sufficient time in which to cover all remaining leads and to assist in the preparation of a summary report. You are advised that it is my intention that an Agent of this office will collaborate with an Agent of the St. Paul office in the preparation of a summary report and it is necessary that the approximate trial date be learned in order that a summary report may be in the hands of the United States Attorney at St. Paul in ample time for a careful examination prior to trial.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
(Special Assignment)

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 1, 1935.

Hon. Dwight H. Green,
United States Attorney,
United States Courthouse,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the case entitled United States versus Ford V 8 coupe, 1934 model, motor number 18-775269, docket case number 43560, I am returning herewith a copy of the petition, and also a copy of the order, in which it is decreed that Ford V 8 coupe, 1934 model, motor number 18-775269 be declared to be owned by the United States of America as against all persons excepting the true owner thereof, and that said car was to be delivered and retained by the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

Copies of the petition and order were loaned to Special Agent V.W. Peterson of this office, in order that photostatic copies might be made of same.

Your cooperation in loaning said papers to this office is deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.
(Special Assignment)

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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United States Marshal
Jacksonville
Florida

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE - I.O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

On February 24, 1935, the attached letter addressed to Dolores Delaney, Post Office Box 4907, Jacksonville, Florida, was received at this office. It is being forwarded to you for delivery to Delaney who is presently confined in the Dade County Jail at Miami, Florida, as a Federal prisoner.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 28, 1935

Ernest J. Krueger,
Postmaster,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly place a thirty-day return air first class mail
delivered to E. W. O'BRIEN, 97 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Tracings obtained from the above should be forwarded to this
office marked for the attention of file number 7-82.

Your cooperation in this connection will be highly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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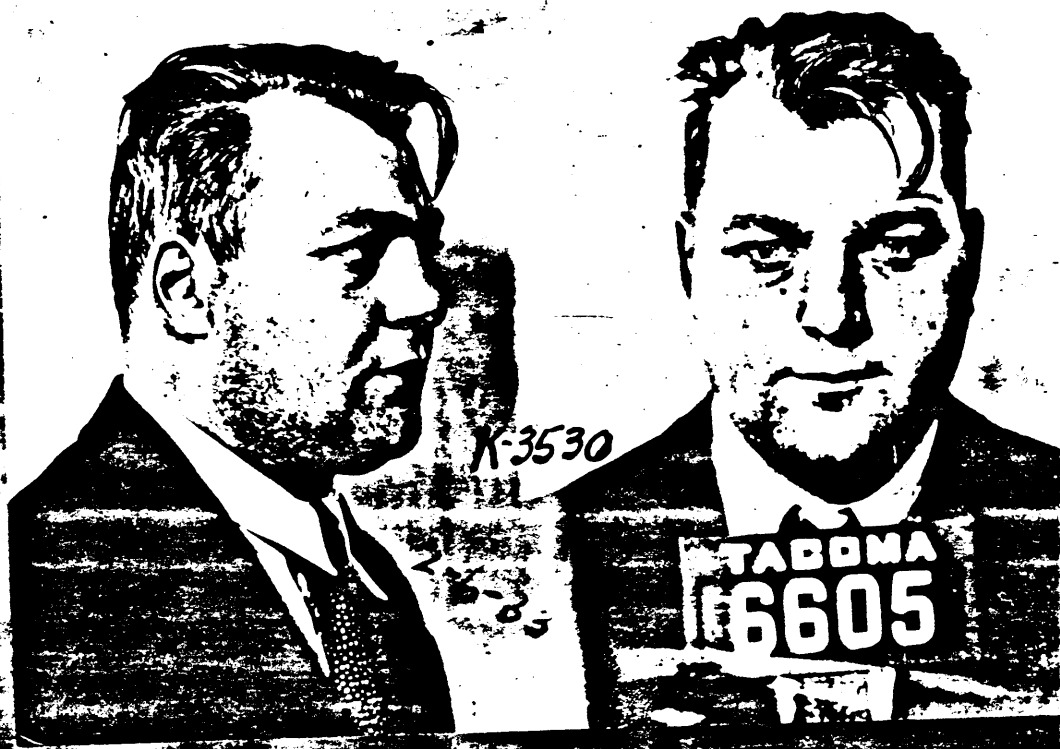
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February 23, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. #1218 -
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I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases,
I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases,
I. O. #1237, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim: Kidnaping

During the week ending February 23, 1935 the developments were the release of Nathan Heller on February 19, 1935 under \$1,000 cash bond at Miami, Florida; and

The Detroit office has ascertained the 1935 registration license plates issued to Charles Fitzgerald, which are believed to be presently on the Buick Club Sedan in which he is driving around the country with his paramour, Belle Born. Efforts will be made to locate Fitzgerald with a view to placing him under surveillance and in that manner locate the remaining members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
R. E. Newby.

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Washington, D. C.

February 26, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Nathan at Kansas City, he stated that Earl Stuchlick, former husband of Doris O'Connor, is in Kansas City at the present time and registered at the Missouri Hotel. He has a car with him, which car is being kept in a parking lot near by, and which car is supposed to have been originally purchased by Edna Murray's son. The information about this car was furnished to Mr. Nathan by the Kansas City Police Department, which department was requested some time ago to be on the lookout for this car by the Wichita Police Department. Mr. Nathan stated that he has Agents watching the parking lot and the hotel for the purpose of ascertaining who might contact Stuchlick. Mr. Nathan further stated that he believes it is going to be desirable to interview this man, and feels that this can be accomplished at practically any time desired; that, however, he has not decided as yet whether he will have Stuchlick brought to the office for questioning, since it might be more advisable to first see who he might contact and also where he goes.

I inquired if the car in question is a stolen one, but Mr. Nathan stated that it is not. I then inquired as to why the Wichita Police Department had requested the Kansas City Police Department to be on the lookout for the car in the first instance. Mr. Nathan stated that the Wichita Police came in contact with the car first when it appeared at Stanley's place in Pittsburg, and when Agents of this Bureau trailed the same to Wichita where it was lost in the traffic. The Agents then requested the Wichita Police to be on the lookout for the car, and the Wichita Police broadcasted the information to the other police departments. No one told these police departments that this car might possibly be occupied by Karpis, they merely drew their own conclusions to this effect.

Mr. Nathan stated that Stuchlick would be kept under surveillance for a time, and if anything develops, he will be brought to the Kansas City Office for questioning, further informing that the Bureau will be kept advised in the premises.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Washington, D. C.

February 26, 1935

Time - 2:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

I telephoned Mr. R. B. Nathan at the Kansas City Office in regard to his conversation with me earlier in the day relative to some liquid supposed to be nitro glycerin which was found in the apartment in Kansas City formerly occupied by one "Leo", and which nitro would be destroyed by the Hercules Powder Company there if we would sign a release of all damages resulting therefrom.

I informed him that I had discussed this matter with you, and you had instructed against signing this release for the reason that we are not the proper party to assume this obligation; that the matter should in its entirety be put up to the United States Attorney for his consideration and disposition.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 27, 1935.

Hon. Charles D. McAvoy,
United States Attorney,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention: Mr. Reilly

Dear Sir:

The Philadelphia Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has in its possession one Buick Sedan, Motor No. 4949185, and Serial No. 2783525, which car was recovered from the possession of Alvin Karpis at the time he effected his escape from the Atlantic City Police. This car was purchased by Karpis under an assumed name from the Ungar Motor Company of Miami, Fla., and he is the rightful owner thereof.

While it will no doubt be difficult to prove that the car was purchased with ransom funds obtained by Karpis in the Bremer Kidnaping Case, there is no doubt that the purchase price represented proceeds of this illicit transaction. In the past numerous automobiles have been recovered and repossessed by the Bureau from gangsters of the type of Karpis.

I am transmitting herewith copy of petition filed in the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois concerning the seizure of one Ford V-8 Coupe, which car was used by Vernon Miller, together with photostatic copy of the order handed down by Federal Judge Wilkerson in connection with this matter, and copy of court order handed down by the U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Michigan for confiscation of Ford V-8 Sedan, which was in custody of John Hamilton.

It is kindly requested that a petition similar to the one enclosed issued in the Northern District of Illinois be drawn up and presented to Federal Judge George A. Welsh in order that this Bureau may obtain custody of the Buick Car in question.

Very truly yours,

R.G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 25, 1935

Time - 2:15 P.M.

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Mr. Smith.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Kingman telephoned from the Jacksonville in response to a request which I had made of him yesterday to ascertain exactly how much information was furnished to the Jacksonville Police broadcasting station at the time they broadcasted the information relative to Karpis and Campbell. Mr. Kingman stated that Mr. Alt furnished this information to Captain Cannon. In this connection, Mr. Kingman contacted Captain Cannon who stated that Mr. Alt furnished him with this information early in the morning of January 20, 1935 by telephone; that Mr. Alt did not mention any names in giving him the information and that the information furnished him was substantially that which was included in his broadcast. Mr. Kingman stated that he has a copy of the broadcast and also a copy of a memorandum prepared by Mr. Alt covering his furnishing this information to Captain Cannon. I mentioned that a copy of the broadcast is set out in the investigative report. In the memorandum prepared by Mr. Alt, Mr. Kingman said that Alt states that he did not mention any names.

Mr. Kingman further stated that Captain Cannon informed that he does not remember whether Mr. Alt told him that the parties in question were members of the Barker-Karpis gang, but states that he believes this conclusion was drawn by him for the reason of its being so soon after the Ocala affair.

Mr. Kingman stated that the broadcast is as follows: "Wanted by this department, white man, dark complexioned, about 5 feet 10 inches tall, very slender build, dark hair and eyes, accompanied by a woman who is to become a mother within a few days, driving Buick Sedan, 1935 Model, Florida license D-5306, motor number 4949155. This man has in his possession a .45 automatic pistol and a rifle. Take no chances as he is a dangerous character. Left Miami last Wednesday headed this way."

Mr. Kingman stated that to his knowledge, the Jacksonville Police have not until now been officially notified as to who the above persons are; that they drew their conclusion from reading the newspaper accounts of the Miami City affair. Mr. Kingman further stated that he has prepared a memorandum on this and will forward the same to the Bureau.

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Respectfully,

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303A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.

Salt Lake City, Utah.

February 27, 1935.

Mr. E.J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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7-376-7862
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
MAR 4 - 1935
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

Recently while Special Agent J.T. McLaughlin was in Reno, Nevada, he secured information to the effect that an individual by the name of Joe Murdock, true name either Joe Jaconi or Joe Frankini, arrived in Reno shortly after Russell Gibson was slain by Federal Agents in Chicago, Illinois.

According to Attorney Talmadge Smith, who confidentially advised that he represents this individual in a legal capacity, Murdock or Jaconi or Frankini, is a former member of the Al Capone Gang and was implicated in the St. Valentines Day Massacre, and on one occasion was designated to kill "Bugs" Moran, a notorious Chicago gangster.

Murdock, according to Smith, is at present residing at either 1116 or 1118 East 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, with Vic Columbo and his wife.

Recently G.W. Ziller, formerly President of the Reno Stock Exchange, now under investigation by the Salt Lake City office in connection with bankruptcy proceedings instituted against him, informed Special Agent McLaughlin that Murdock was in town and that he was as hot as "Hell", and that he would not have anything to do with Murdock. According to Ziller, Murdock's description as far as he can describe him is as follows: about 30 years of age, short, dark, thin, natty dressed Italian. He frequently hangs out about the Bank Club in the evening and minds his own business at the present time.

It is suggested that possibly information relating to this man can be obtained from some of your sources of information in the Chicago district. In the event that he is wanted by the Federal or State Government, it is possible that his apprehension can be caused at Reno, Nevada.

Very truly yours,

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cc - Bureau

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstracts of criminal records, showing descriptions, as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of one Joseph Jaconia, Police Department, Paterson, New Jersey, #6341; one Joseph J. Franchina, our file #618665; one Joseph Franchina, our file #162974; and one Joseph Jacone, our file #843509; one of whom is possibly identical with the Joe Murdock, aliases, Joe Jaconi, and Joe Frankini, whose record Mr. Newby requested.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 11, 1935.

The following is an abstract of the fingerprint record of one Joseph Jaconia on file in the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Subject as Joseph Jaconia, #6341, arrested by Police Department, Paterson, New Jersey, July 18, 1934, charge material witness and gambling.

Notation:

"Joseph Jaconia, #6341, Paterson, New Jersey, January 18, 1926, non-support; ordered to pay \$10 weekly to wife."

The following is the description of this individual appearing on print #6341, Police Department, Paterson, New Jersey: color, white; sex, male; age, 31; height, 5'5"; weight, 148; build, medium; complexion, ruddy; hair, dark chestnut; eyes, brown; place of birth, Paterson, New Jersey; residence, 194 Slater Street, Paterson, New Jersey.

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☐ Mr. Edwards
☐ Mr. Quinn
☐ Mr. Tamm
☐ Unit Two

Unit Four

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☐ Mechanical Section
☐ Chief Clerk's Office

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☒ Identification Unit
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☐ Mr. Newby
☐ Mr. Richmond
☐ Mr. Thompson
☐ Mr. Chambers

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #3

3-18-1935.

TO: Director
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abstracts of each and 5 photos
of each.*

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March 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMEL

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith three additional copies of abstracts of criminal records, showing descriptions, as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of one Joseph Jacoma, Police Department, Paterson, New Jersey, #6341, our file #898069; one Joseph J. Franchina, our file #618855; one Joseph Franchina, our file #162974; and one Joseph Jacome, our file #843509; one of whom is possibly identical with the Joe Murdock, aliases, Joe Jacomi, and Joe Frankini, whose record Mr. Newby requested.

I am also transmitting herewith five copies of the photograph of Joseph Jacome, our file #843509. Please be advised that the files of the Identification Division do not disclose photographs of the other individuals mentioned.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.
Edward G. Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated February 27, 1935, addressed to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, reflecting information to the effect that an individual by the name of Joe Murdock, true name either Joe Jaconi or Joe Frankini, arrived in Reno shortly after Russell Gibson was slain by Federal Agents in Chicago and is, at the present time, residing on East 4th Street in Reno, Nevada, with Vic Colombo and his wife.

The Bureau records reflect one Joseph Jaconia, Police Department, Paterson, New Jersey No. 6341, Bureau file No. 828069; one Joseph J. Franchina, Bureau file No. 818665; one Joseph Franchina, Bureau file No. 162974 and one Joseph Jacone, Bureau file No. 841509, one of whom may possibly be identical with the Joe Murdock referred to in your letter.

Abstracts of criminal record, reflecting descriptive data, are transmitted herewith for your information.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 26, 1935

Time - 1:30 P.M.

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Mr. Nathan telephoned from the Kansas City Office in regard to the raid recently conducted on the apartment of one "Leo" in Kansas City during which raid Spike Lane was apprehended. Lane informs the Agents that in this apartment there was a considerable quantity of nitro glycerin. In this connection, Mr. Nathan stated that there have been found in the apartment two bottles containing a liquid which might easily be nitro glycerin. Mr. Nathan stated that there is about a pint of this liquid. Mr. Nathan stated that he has been in touch with the local representative of the Hercules Powder Company, who said that he would be glad to destroy, or attempt to destroy, this liquid for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not it is nitro glycerin; further, that he would be glad to do this free of charge. However, this representative informs that in all instances of this kind, he has to have someone execute a release to him from any damages or from any injuries incurred in transporting the liquid to a place where it can be destroyed. This representative has a standard form which he informs is used for this purpose.

I inquired of Mr. Nathan if the Bureau Agents had a search warrant to go into this apartment. Mr. Nathan stated that it is his understanding that they did have such a warrant, and that the nitro glycerin was obtained lawfully; that, however, the nitro is as yet in the apartment since it has not been moved. I then inquired if the United States Attorney has been consulted about this situation. Mr. Nathan stated that the nitro glycerin phase has not been discussed with the Attorney. Mr. Nathan stated that the Agents are remaining in the apartment in anticipation of the return of some members of the gang, and since the nitro is still in the apartment, Mr. Nathan stated that he believes it entirely advisable to get rid of it as soon as possible. I then mentioned the possibility of Sheriff Bash's signing the above mentioned release. Mr. Nathan stated that he rather doubted that the Sheriff would do it.

I requested Mr. Nathan to read the above mentioned release to me, and it is as follows: "Whereas, the undersigned customer has requested assistance of the Hercules Powder Company in connection with the performance of certain blasting work, and, whereas the Hercules Powder Company is not engaged in blasting work, its business in explosives being confined solely to the manufacture and sale thereof; but to assist the said customer, the said Hercules

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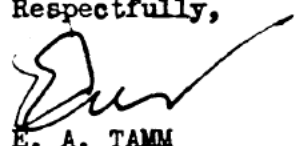
Company has agreed to permit the said customer the temporary use, free of charge, of the services of the said company's employees, together with or without certain needed equipment. Now, therefore, the undersigned hereby expressly agrees that while engaged in said work, said employees and equipment are and shall be to all intents and purposes the employees and equipment of the undersigned and subject to his sole supervision and control, and that all work and services so performed shall be at the sole risk and responsibility of the undersigned. And, from any damage or loss resulting from such services, except liability for injury or death of said Hercules employees, the undersigned expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the said Hercules Company, and, further, to assume full responsibility for the result of the services of such employees or equipment, gratuitously furnished by the said Hercules Company."

I told Mr. Nathan that I would take this matter up with the Department to ascertain if we have authority to sign this release, and will convey the results of the ruling of the Department to him.

I then requested of Mr. Nathan if anything of evidentiary value was found in the apartment. Mr. Nathan stated that he understands the Agents have gone over the apartment inch by inch and have failed to find anything of such value therein; that, however, he does not know whether attempts have been made to develop latent fingerprints for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not Volney Davis has been in the apartment. I told him that since we have process out charging these people with harboring Davis, we ought to have some evidence to support our allegations.

In regard to Spike Lane, Mr. Nathan stated that this man steadfastly refuses to talk; that he was charged with harboring and his bond fixed at \$10,000, which Mr. Nathan thinks he possibly will make. Mr. Nathan stated, however, that the State may charge him with carrying concealed weapons and with the possession of explosives. There is also the possibility that they will charge him with robbing a bank at Webb City, Missouri about a year ago. Mr. Nathan stated that efforts are being made to connect him with the Okemah, Oklahoma bank robberies, but so far nothing definite has been developed in this regard.

Respectfully,


E. A. TAMM

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*Nathan advised to refer question
of intro to U.S. Attorney & SEC
Additional memo*

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P.O. Box 64
Buffalo, N.Y.

March 4, 1935

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Mr. E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
Special Assignment
P.O. Box 812
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS & as, I.O. 1215;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN & as, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL & as, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS & as, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER & as, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON & as, I.O. 1239;
HARRY BRAYNER & as, I.O. 1240.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of Feb. 20, 1935, in which the corrected number of a 20 gauge auto and burglar sawed-off shotgun, manufactured by the Ithaca Gun Co., is given as #361601. This letter also requested that an investigation be made at the Remington Arms Co., at Ilion, N.Y., to determine to whom was sold one Remington 12 gauge pump shotgun, #272907.

This office has ascertained from the Ithaca Gun Co., Ithaca, N.Y., that the auto and burglar gun, #361601, was shipped to Sturt-Jeffers Hardware Co., Amboy, Ind., on Nov. 30, 1933.

From the Remington Arms Co., Inc., Ilion, N.Y., it was learned that 12 gauge pump shotgun, #272907, was sold and shipped to Sears, Roebuck & Co. of Chicago, Ill., on Aug. 9, 1928.

No further records were obtainable at either company in regard to the further sale of these guns.

Very truly yours,

JDC:MAN
CC Bureau
St. Paul

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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March 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 16, 1935, transmitting the photographic negative of the latent fingerprint developed on a bottle found in the house occupied by Alvin Karpis in Miami and which has been identified as that of Wynona Burdette in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive - I.O. 1212, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, your file 7-24.

One of the photographs of the latent print which was submitted with the letter of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson dated at Miami, Florida, January 23, 1935, is being returned herewith to be turned over to Assistant Identification Officer W. J. Gaines of the Miami Police Department, in compliance with his request.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 25, 1935

Time - 1:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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Mr. Whitley, during a telephonic conversation with me, stated that the New York Daily Mirror is today carrying a story to the effect that the New York City Police are combing lower East Side of New York looking for Myrtle Eaton, supposedly a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. While the article states that the tip was furnished by J. Edgar Hoover of the Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Whitley says that it is his belief that the article might be based on an Identification Order on this girl which was seen by a police officer. He further stated that he has talked to the supervisors in the New York Office as well as to the Agents handling this case, and has ascertained that there are no outstanding leads in the New York District for this girl, or for members of the gang for that matter.

Mr. Whitley stated that the article carries a picture of Karpis, and goes into somewhat of a general summation of the Dillinger and Bremer cases; that he believes it is just a fill-in story.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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412 U S COURT HOUSE AND POST OFFICE
JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 23, 1935

Time - 1:32 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. McKee telephoned from the Chicago Office with reference to the above matter and stated that he had just received a telephone call from the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Company of Chicago, where the Barker safe deposit box is in the name of Edna Gardner. They have received a garnishment on this box filed by the Municipal Court of Chicago on behalf of the Jacobs and Burns Company of St. Paul, Minnesota. The Woodlawn Company wanted to know what they should do in the matter.

I informed Mr. McKee that we have no interest in this box or its contents at all. I further told him that in the first instance we were interested in it only for its possible value in furnishing information and leads as to the whereabouts of the Barkers, and this interest has been lost now. I further told him that he need not notify the United States Attorney of this action on the part of the Municipal Court, but the Courts should proceed in the usual legal manner on the case.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 2, 1935

Time - 2:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

One Mr. Burton, a local attorney in Washington, telephoned me and informed that he had received a call from an attorney in Detroit by the name of Barnard requesting that he, Burton, attempt to get some information from the Department of Justice relative to the arrest of Cassius McDonald in Miami.

I told him that this situation is all a matter of record; that there is a complaint and indictment filed in the Federal Court in Jacksonville, Florida, and the gentleman in question can correspond with the clerk of the Federal court there and get whatever information is available. He wanted to know if he could get this information here in Washington. I informed him that we do not have copies of the complaint and indictment, and that the same are available only through the clerk of the Federal court at Jacksonville.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Edward J. Bremer

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 2, 1935

Time - 11:40 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Connelley at Chicago, I asked him if there have been any developments in the above matter.

Mr. Connelley stated that he is informed that a gang of three men, and part of the time six men, has been robbing people and stealing their cars; that one of the persons who had seen the men had stated that he thought it was Karpis. Mr. Connelley places no credence in this identification, but one of the police officers down in Indiana has identified one of the men as being one Christian, who is a local boy there and known to the police; another of the members of this gang has a hair lip, and is not, as such, any of our subjects.

I suggested that this gang might be the men who escaped from the Granite Reformatory in Oklahoma a short time ago. Mr. Connelley stated that he does not recall any of these men who escaped having a hair lip, and further that this Christian who is a member of the gang is known to be a local boy in Indiana.

Mr. Connelley further stated that he is working with [redacted] and he may develop some information of value in the near future.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 2, 1935

Time - 6pm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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David L. Bremer

I telephoned Mr. Coulter at the St. Paul Office in regard to the above matter, and inquired if he had received the \$14,000 and the diamonds from Mr. Alt at Jacksonville as yet. Mr. Coulter stated that they were received. I then asked if he had turned them over to the United States Attorney as yet. Mr. Coulter stated that he is somewhat skeptical in this matter, believing that the United States Attorney won't accept the money. He stated that this is not evidence; we have admitted that it is not evidence, and the United States Attorney was somewhat reluctant to issue a subpoena for the money and diamonds in the first place; that, however, he will do everything in his power the first thing Monday morning to get them to take it, and if they do take it, he will get a receipt therefor, and thus clear the Division of the responsibility of it; that, however, if they refuse to accept it, he will then contact me.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 9, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

Relative to your inquiry as to why the \$14,000 and diamonds recovered from Kate and Fred^D Barker at Ocala, Florida were transmitted to the St. Paul Division Office, I have talked to Mr. Nathan and to Mr. Connelley about the origin of this idea. Mr. Nathan states that he was in St. Paul and that he does not recall the source of the idea but that he approved it subject to a Division approval. Mr. Connelley states that he does not know the origin of the idea. In view of the fact that I was notified by Mr. Alt that he had discussed the situation with Mr. Nathan in St. Paul and that a subpoena duces tecum was being issued for the money and diamonds, prior to the time that they were actually transported to St. Paul, and I failed to issue any instructions cancelling the arrangements theretofore made, I feel that the fault in this matter is mine.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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the subpoena duces tecum?*

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
February 5, 1935.

Mr. Tamm:

Mr. Hoover asks why they were taken to
St. Paul and who's idea it was. He asked
to be advised please.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 2, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: Edward George Bremer,
Victim - Kidnaping

During the week ending March 2, 1935 there have been no developments in connection with the above entitled case.

In view of the impending trial at St. Paul which is scheduled to commence April 4, 1935, it is suggested that Special Agent K. R. McIntire of the Chicago Office be instructed to proceed to St. Paul for the purpose of collaborating with Special Agent John E. Brennan in the preparation of a prosecutive summary report.

This action is suggested in view of the involved character of this case and its manifold ramifications.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
Washington, D. C.

March 6, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases;
I. O. #1218, Et Al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPPING

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated January 29, 1935,
and to the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss of this office,
dated February 6, 1935, you are advised that Mr. E. L. Kahlert,
of the War Department, has circularized the nine Army Corps
areas and arsenals and has been informed by such sources that
no record can be located indicating the theft or loss of a
.50 Calibre Browning automatic rifle, Model 1918, #211542.

Very truly yours,

J. E. SMITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Bureau
cc - St. Paul
cc - Mr. E. J. Connelley

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
Washington, D. C.

March 5, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I. O. #1218, Is Al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPPING

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated February 3,
1935, and to the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss of
this office, dated February 21, 1935, you are advised that
Mr. E. L. Wahlert, of the War Department, after circularizing
the nine Army Corps areas and arsenals, has been advised
by the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois, that
their records indicate that a .50 Calibre Browning auto-
matic rifle, #211774, was received at that arsenal in 1923
and was last inspected there in 1930. No record could be
located of the theft or loss of that rifle from that arsenal.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Bureau
cc - St. Paul

Letter to
SAC St. Paul
cc - Mr. Wahlert
cc - Mr. Connelley
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March 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

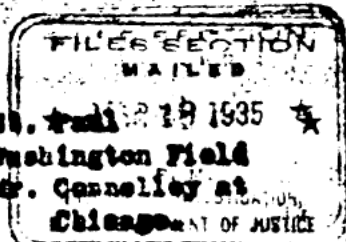
The Washington Field Office has ascertained, through the records of the War Department, that the Browning automatic rifle, #211774, which was recovered from the apartment of Russell Gibson, 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was received at the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois, in 1923 and was last inspected there in 1930. There was no record at the War Department showing that this gun had been reported stolen.

You are instructed to make an immediate inquiry of the officials at the Rock Island Arsenal with a view to developing any information relative to this gun or any other Browning automatic rifle which may have been stolen within recent years. In this connection the Bureau has also recovered a Browning automatic rifle, #211749, at Miami, Florida, which rifle was left with Joe E. Adams by Alvin Karpis. It is possible that this gun may have been among those issued to the Rock Island Arsenal and subsequently stolen.

In addition to these guns the Bureau has recovered two other Browning automatic rifles from the Barker-Karpis gang and it has not been possible to restore the serial numbers of these weapons.

This investigation should receive immediate and preferred attention.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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March 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1416 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 4, 1935, transmitting an original letter beginning, "Manager Document says Dear Mrs. Will you please go into my Apt", and signed, "G. L. Harper", and accompanying envelope postmarked Saint George, Utah, February 29, 1935, 9 A.M., in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive I.O. #1212; et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed on the original envelope and they have been compared with the fingerprints of the following individuals, but in no instance has an identification been effected:

Volney Davis, our #400441
Myrtle Eaton, our #437474
Mrs. Jack Snyder, our #434380
Alvin Karpis, our #198217
Bertha Ingler, our #221231
Glyde Himerick, our #77941
Marjorie Keating, our #221111
Harry Sawyer, our #411222
Chas. J. Fitzgerald, our #20700

Charles F. Glouse, our #125722
William Weaver, our #17422
John Doyle, our #22402
Paula Harmon, our #100000
Harry Campbell, our #412222
Mrs. Dorothy Frester, #1022 12 Kansas
City, Kans.
Joseph E. Burns, our #724777

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Very truly yours,

cc - Mr. Donnelly, Chicago
St. Paul
Salt Lake City
Los Angeles
Butte
San Francisco
Portland

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-2376

Specimens: A. Original letter beginning, "Manager Beaumont Apts Dear Mrs. Will you please go into my Apt No 20, and have your porter to pack***", and signed "W. L. Harper".
B. Envelope addressed to "Manager Beaumont Apt's", postmarked Saint George, Utah, Feb 29, 1935, 9 AM.

Examination requested by: Kansas Cit, Bureau Office.

Date received: 3-6-35

Examination requested: Handwriting and Fingerprint

Result of examination:

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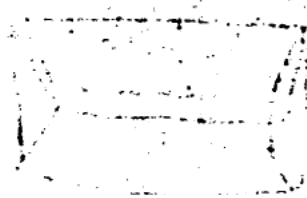


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U. S. Department of Justice
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 4, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUG. I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

Attached hereto in two cellophane envelopes are a letter and the envelope in which received addressed to the Manager of the Beaumont Apartments, 3028 South Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, the letter having been postmarked at St. George, Utah, February 29, 1935 at 9 A.M. and being forwarded air mail. Typed copies of the letter are attached to each copy of this communication being forwarded to interested field offices. It will be noted that the letter is signed "G. L. Harper" and contains instructions as to holding the effects in Apartment 209 at the above address until called for or sent for by Harper.

The handwriting of the letter appears to be unquestionably that of Volney Davis who occupied Apartment 209 at the Beaumont Apartments immediately prior to his recent apprehension at Kansas City. It is noted that the letter is dated February 17, 1935, indicating that it may have been forwarded to some one for mailing. However, the envelope does not appear to have been folded or handled in such a way as to become soiled. This letter was opened by the Manager of the Beaumont Apartments, Mrs. Schupan, but has not been handled since it was handed to this office, and it is accordingly requested that appropriate examination for fingerprints be made by the Bureau's Laboratory, as well as an appropriate handwriting comparison with that of Volney Davis.

The Salt Lake City Office was advised by telephone on March 4, 1935 concerning this communication, and the suggestion

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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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March 2, 1935.

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Bureau File #7-576-4795
Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Mich.
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Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

1---. Elwood Yeaker

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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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For completion of our records, please supply dispositions to this Division in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear.

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DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NW WASHN DC
BREKID COUNTY OFFICERS BATESVILLE ARKANSAS HOLDING R A JEFFRIES
WHO IS REPUTED TO HAVE APPEARANCE SIMILAR VOLNEY DAVIS STOP
JEFFRIES REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN LIVING MOUNTAINVIEW ARK FOR
SEVERAL WEEKS PAST WAS ARRESTED ON BAD CHECK CHARGES STOP
JEFFRIES DESCRIPTION DISSIMILAR TO THAT OF DAVIS STOP JEFFRIES
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RETEL BREKID FINGERPRINTS R.A. JEFFRIES RECEIVED FROM BATESVILLE

AUTHORITIES NOT IDENTICAL WITH VOLNEY DAVIS

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota**

FILE NO. **7-33**

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| REPORT MADE AT: San Francisco, Calif. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/1/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/4 & 5/35 | REPORT MADE BY: ANGUS M. TAYLOR, Jr. - NY |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232 Et Al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Robert Hathaway, Dave Barrett, and Lloyd Geraldson, who work in the immediate vicinity of Lincoln, Cal., positively identified man seen in that community as Karpis. No other leads as to his present location could be found. Tharp, owner of gold dredge, stated he had never known, seen or employed a man by name or description of Karpis. | | | |
| DETAILS: At San Francisco, California. This investigation is predicated on a long distance telephone call from Mr. C. S. Morrill, Superintendent of the California State Division of Criminal Identification and Investigation, located at Sacramento, who had received a call from the sheriff at Auburn, California, stating that he had had three individuals in that vicinity report to him that they had seen a man who fitted the description of Karpis exactly from the pictures they had seen in the newspapers and later they identified the man as being Karpis from pictures he showed them. This investigation was conducted by Agents Vernon Criss and Angus M. Taylor, Jr., who were accompanied by Mr. Owen Kessell from the California State Division of Criminal Identification and Investigation at Sacramento. | | | |
| DETAILS: At Lincoln, California. Robert Hathaway, who lives at 404 Martin Drive, Grass Valley, California, stated that while he was working on a dredging boat a few miles northeast of Lincoln, California, on February 2, 1935, sometime in the afternoon a man drove up and parked his car right outside the fence where the boat was being constructed. The car which he was drive | | | |
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ing was either a 1928 or 1929 model tan Ford Roadster. A man got out of the car, walked over to the boat, looked all around, but said nothing to anyone. It was for this reason that Mr. Hathaway's interest was aroused in the man. Mr. Hathaway positively identified the man from the picture shown him as being Karpis. His description was fairly accurate and he stated that the man had on an ordinary dark business suit, dark hat, black shoes, and was dressed normally from every other standpoint. He further stated that he had not seen the man since that particular time and knew nothing more concerning the case.

Dave Barrett, who works at the Virginia Dredging Company, located near Lincoln, California, and who lives at Lincoln, California, R.F.D. No. 1, stated while he was on his way to work on February 2, 1935, he saw a car stopped near the fork of the road that lead up to the dredge where he was heading. Upon approaching the car the man driving, whom he later positively identified as being Karpis, asked him the way to Lincoln, where he lived, the location of the dredge, and the name of the man who owned it. Having told him the owner of the dredge, the man driving the car stated that he had known him for some time and formerly worked for him. Mr. Barrett also stated that there were two other people in the car but he was unable to see them because they kept their heads down and said nothing during the course of conversation. He said the car was a new model green Ford Coupe and that the man was normally dressed but he was unable to give an accurate description from a physical standpoint for he never got out of the car. Mr. Barrett had not seen these people any more after that meeting and knew nothing further concerning the case.

Lloyd Geraldson, who lives at Auburn, California, stated that on Saturday, February 2, 1935, about 1.00 P.M. while he was working on a part of the dredge which is located three miles northeast of Lincoln, a man came up to him and asked several questions concerning the manner in which the gold was mined, the time it was gathered, where it was stored, the number of people that worked there and those who lived there permanently. He also said that he would not have noticed this man except for his extreme nervousness and the fact that the hat he had on was about a size too small and in attempting to keep his eyes covered it would keep bobbing up in the back. The man also asked who the boss was and talked about the general set up of things for four or five minutes. He then went off through the brush, the way which he had come. Geraldson described the man as weighing about 160 pounds, wearing a pair of gray pants, dark hat too small for him, a brown button cloth jacket, gray eyes and dark hair. Except for the

weight, his description fitted that of Karpis exactly, and he positively identified him from a picture as being Karpis. He further stated that he would know him any where and at any time but that he had not heard from or seen him since that day.

Mr. H. S. Sharp, who lives at Lincoln, California, and owns the Virginia Dredging Company located three miles northeast of Lincoln, stated that he had never employed a man by this description or name as far as he could remember and that he had never known a man by the name of Karpis or who fitted his description.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 4, 1935.

Mr. Ernest J. Krutgen,
Postmaster,
Chicago, Illinois.
Dear Sir:

On January 30, 1935, this office directed a letter to you requesting that a cover be placed for a period of thirty days on all first class mail addressed to Mrs. Clara Venute, 525 North Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois. Recent developments in the matter which this cover concerns indicate that this cover should be continued. It is, therefore, requested that the above cover be extended for a further period of thirty days and that all tracings be forwarded to this office indicated for file No. 7-82.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
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POST OFFICE BOX 812,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 4, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.
1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases,
I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O.
1240; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241;
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

It is observed that this office does not have
copies of the photograph of Myrtle Eaton which appears
on her Identification Order No. 1241.

Please arrange to have at least five copies of
this photograph prepared and forwarded to this office at
an early date.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL, - Edward George
Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the request contained in your letter dated
March 4, 1935 there are transmitted herewith five copies of the
photograph of Myrtle Eaton, which was taken by the Des Moines,
Iowa, Police Department on December 29, 1931 and was reproduced
by the Bureau on Identification Order No. 1241.

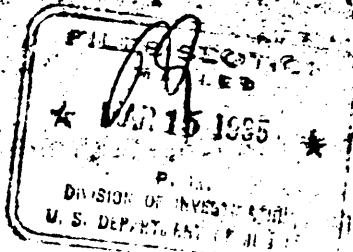
Two copies of this same photograph are being forwarded
to the St. Paul Office with a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Incl. #818981

cc - St. Paul (with 2 copies photo)



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

~~Division of Investigation~~

U. S. Department of Justice
1616 Federal Reserve
Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri

March 5, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237
ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

The attached photographs of latent fingerprints have been furnished to this office by the Parsons, Kansas, Police Department, the latents having been obtained in connection with a recent robbery of a safe deposit vault in Parsons. It will be recalled that a receipt for the rental of a safe deposit box at Parsons was recently found in an apartment located at 4915 Troost Avenue, wherein contacts of Volney Davis are reported to have resided. In checking this matter, it was determined that there had been a robbery of the safe deposit vault on February 17, 1935, and it appears possible that the persons renting the box in question were responsible for the robbery. It is accordingly requested that these latent prints be searched through the Bureau's single fingerprint file, and that a comparison be made with any known Subjects or suspects in the instant case. This comparison should include the fingerprints of Russell E. (Spike) Lane, whose fingerprints have been recently forwarded by the United States Marshal at Kansas City, Missouri, of John M. Langdon, Kansas City PD #18196, and of Otto Jackson, Kansas City PD #22596.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

March 2, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with
aliases I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with
aliases, I. O. #1237; WILLIAM LEAVER
with aliases, I. O. #1238; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I. O. #1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. #1240;
MYRTLE STATION with aliases, I. O. #1241,
et al - EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 28, 1935,
to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, a copy
of which was furnished your Office.

It will be noted in paragraph 2 of this letter that according
to Jess Doyle's statement dated February 18, 1935, two \$100 money
orders were transmitted by Volney Davis to Kott Stanley, brother of
Doris O'Connor and Edna Murray, to be given to Doyle. The Bureau
desires that every effort should be made to trace these money orders.

The information contained in Jess Doyle's statement con-
cerning the time of the receipt of the above money orders is very
vague and in view of this it is respectfully requested that an Agent
from your Office interview Kott Stanley at Cardin or Commerce, Okla.,
in an effort to determine the approximate date and place that these
orders were issued. This information will greatly facilitate the
tracing of the above mentioned money orders.

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It is also respectfully requested that the St. Paul Office interview Jess Doyle at the Ramsey County Jail and obtain from him the approximate date on which Matt Stanley received the two \$100 money orders from Volney Davis.

Kindly give this matter your prompt and immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

FILE NO. **7-9**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/4/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/22/35 | REPORT MADE BY: E. B. O'Connell, CJU |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; FUGITIVE; DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Miss Junea Ashe, at home of her father Ed Ashe, Shepherdsville, Ky., stated she had resigned from the "Get-Acquainted-Club" of Denver, Colo., and at no time had she received any communications whatever from George Lawrence Harper.</p> | | | |
| Reference: <p>Letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, February 14, 1935.</p> | | | |
| Details: <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT SHEPHERDSTVILLE, KENTUCKY</u></p> <p>MISS JUNE A ASHE when interviewed at the home of her father, ED ASHE, Rural Route 3, Shepherdsville, Kentucky, stated that having read the advertisement of the "Get Acquainted Club" in a magazine she submitted her application out of curiosity, but that about one month ago she had resigned and notified the office of the "Get Acquainted Club" that they should remove her name from the rolls. Miss Ashe stated that her residence is in Mount Washington, Kentucky, while teaching at the Bethel School there, but that the term extends from July until February and consequently school is now closed and she is residing at her home.</p> <p>She continued that at no time had she received mail or been communicated with in any fashion whatever by GEORGE LAWRENCE HARPER.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. B. O'Connell</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-4894 UNITED STATES MAR 7 1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE | | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 7 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 9 1935 JACKETED: |
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HARPER and upon being advised that the Bureau was interested in learning the whereabouts of this party she willingly took the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Office and gave assurance that should she at any time be communicated with by George Lawrence Harper she will cooperate to the extent of endeavoring to continue such communication and refer all such letters immediately to this office with a view toward assisting in the apprehension of subject VOLNEY DAVIS using the alias of George Lawrence Harper.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL**FILE NO. **7-56**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Okla. City, Okla. | DATE WHEN MADE: 5/4/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-29 to 2-28-35 | REPORT MADE BY: B. L. DERRON |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim - | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Continued contacts and investigation at Tulsa, Okla., and vicinity without results as to definite information concerning whereabouts of Subjects. Mail covers being continued on relatives of Subjects Campbell and Davis. Relatives of Wynona Burdette being contacted but deny knowledge of whereabouts of Campbell. No indications Davis contacting Roland Williams at Seminole, Okla. Tap on telephone of sister of Volney Davis brought negative results. Members of "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" residing in Oklahoma have not responded with Davis. Informants and others at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and vicinity being recontacted in effort to locate Davis.</p> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: (Incorporated in body of report).</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: The report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated December 6, 1934, sets forth information concerning one George Dufek as being a probable source of information and friend of this gang. Special Agent J. J. Perkins interviewed Milo Beck, Sheriff at Guthrie, Oklahoma, who stated that he had known George Dufek for a number of years but could not recall that he had served time in any penitentiary or jail other than the Logan County Jail at Guthrie, where he was incarcerated for a period of one year for violation of the National Prohibition Act. He stated that Dufek was a notorious bootlegger who hangs</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Alvin B. Ramsey</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | 7-576-4895 RECORDED AND INDEXED MAR 7 1935 CHECKED OFF MAR 9 1935 | |
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around with the underworld element but that his name has never been connected with any of the Subjects of this case.

W. D. Cavitt, Under Sheriff at Perry, Oklahoma, stated that he had known George Dufek for many years; and that George Dufek has two brothers, named Emil and Ed; that Emil Dufek operates slot machines in and about Wichita Falls, Texas, and Ed Dufek lives at Billings, Oklahoma; that Ed Dufek had served a sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, for violation of the National Prohibition Act, but that he had never heard either of their names being connected with any of the Subjects of this case. Mr. Cavitt referred Agent Perkins to one [redacted] an informant at Perry, Oklahoma, but interview with him failed to reveal any information of value.

It will be noted from the report of Special Agent Hansen that one W. H. Inlow could provide information concerning George Dufek. Special Agent (A) G. A. Stevens made inquiry at the Post Office at Blackwell, Oklahoma, and ascertained that W. H. Inlow is residing in Oklahoma City, however, subsequent inquiry of an Inlow family residing at 204 Northwest 28th Street and Dr. Paul A. Harris, 440 West 23rd Street, revealed that W. H. Inlow is now residing at West Plains, Howell County, Missouri; that Inlow had formerly been connected with the Prohibition Department in the making of "buys" and in undercover work.

It is suggested that the Kansas City Office interview Mr. Inlow at West Plains for such information as he might provide with reference to the Subjects of this case.

Under date of January 31, 1935, the Bureau advised that interview with Arthur Burdette, at Erie, Pennsylvania, disclosed that Harry Campbell is alleged to frequent a filling station at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, and also the town of Hominy, Oklahoma; furthermore, that Mrs. Mark Whinnery might be in possession of valuable information. The information concerning the filling station at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, was also submitted to the Oklahoma City Office in a letter from the Little Rock Office dated January 30, 1935. The leads at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, Hominy, Oklahoma, and concerning Mrs. Mark Whinnery were also set forth in the report of Special Agent S. S. Rubenstein, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated February 4, 1935. Previous reports submitted by this office indicate that informants have been established at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, and it is believed that if any of these Subjects appear at that place the Oklahoma City Office will be advised.

Special Agent Paul Hansen has recently been to South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, and recontacted his informants at that place in order that he might receive any information of value.

With reference to Mrs. Mark Whinnery, sister of Wynona Burdette, it might be stated that she is now separated from her husband and lives with her

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sisters at Ponca City, Oklahoma. She will be interviewed at the earliest practicable time. It is to be noted, however, that [REDACTED] is in constant touch with Agents at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and has been providing confidential information to Special Agent Paul Hansen.

With reference to the town of Hominy, Oklahoma, previous reports indicate that Mrs. Esther Wilson, sister of Wynona Burdette, resides at Irondale, Oklahoma, which is only a short distance from Hominy. She and her husband have been interviewed on prior occasions and promised cooperation, although it is doubtful that they will do so. The law enforcement officials at Hominy, Oklahoma, will be recontacted to cover this angle.

The remaining relatives of Wynona Burdette listed in the report of Special Agent S. S. Rubenstein are being interviewed as expeditiously as possible.

Mrs. Mildred Jones and her husband, of Turley, Oklahoma, have been interviewed on prior occasions and have promised their cooperation, which it is believed can be relied upon.

"Squint" Rogers, an alleged friend of Harry Campbell, was interviewed by Special Agent Frank J. Whelan, who ascertained that this man's true name is Sequoyah Rogers and he presently resides at 102 West 4th Street, Skiatook, Oklahoma. Rogers stated that he has not seen Campbell for over a year, and that a little over a year ago Campbell came to his house looking for one Ray Robinson, who is reputed to be a taxi driver at Wichita, Kansas. Rogers further stated that at the time Campbell called at his home he was on crutches and stayed only about five minutes; that he does not know where Campbell went after that, nor does he have any knowledge as to his present whereabouts. He promised to advise the Oklahoma City Office should he receive any information concerning Campbell's whereabouts. Rogers is part Indian and has the reputation around Skiatook of being a drunkard, and it is not believed that Campbell would contact him, but it is thought that Rogers will report any information which he might receive.

By reference to the report of this Agent, dated February 1, 1935, it will be noted that certain personnel data is set forth concerning Jess Doyle. Prior to his apprehension further information was obtained by Special Agent Paul Hansen at Cushing, and Tulsa, Oklahoma, which, for future reference, is being set forth herein:

Mrs. Virginia Withers, 913 East Walnut Street, Cushing, Oklahoma, advised that she is the mother of Jess Doyle; that he was born November 4, 1900, at Pearl Mills, Georgia; that he has no full brothers or sisters, but has a half-brother named Willie Mack Doyle who is manager of the Skelly Oil Company filling station at 10th and Elgin Streets, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Withers and Willie Mack Doyle stated that Jess Doyle has the following relatives:

Mrs. W. A. (Cassie Mae) Swords, half-sister, Hollywood, Florida (approximately 40 years of age);
 Roy Doyle, employed by the Slick Oil Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, half-brother (about 37 years of age);
 Robert Doyle, employed by the Tulsa Refine Oil Company, Sand Springs Road, Tulsa, Oklahoma, half-brother (about 38 years of age);
 William Orr Doyle, father, residing at Harlington, Texas, in the Lower Rio Grande Valley;
 Willie Mack Doyle, employed by the Skelly Oil Company, 10th and Elgin Streets, Tulsa, Okla., half-brother (about 36 years of age)

Willie Mack Doyle advised that Robert Doyle was in McAlester at the same time Jess was, and that Jess has had no contact with any member of his family for several years.

On February 6, 1935, a telegram was received from the Kansas City Office, advising that Jess Doyle had left Kansas City about noon of that day, driving a 1933 black Chevrolet Coupe with Missouri 1935 license 193380. Upon receipt of this information Special Agents Paul Hansen and Frank J. Whelan proceeded to Coffeyville, Kansas, and South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, where contact was made with Deputy Sheriff George Tobler of Coffeyville and Gene Haversfield of Nowata, and confidential informants at South Coffeyville, in an effort to apprehend Doyle if he appeared in this vicinity. On the following day they were advised of the apprehension of Doyle at Girard, Kansas, and immediately proceeded to that point where their activities have been reported by the Kansas City Office in the report of Special Agent R. H. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated February 21, 1935.

Under date of January 26, 1935, the Kansas City Office requested an investigation at Miami, Oklahoma, to establish the identity of E. A. Connelly. Due to the admissions of Doyle that this was an alias used by him, no further investigation is being conducted along that line, and it is noted that the Kansas City Office has previously reported this name as being an alias of Doyle.

On pages 7 and 8 of the report of this Agent dated February 1, 1935, reference is made to one Roland Williams of Seminole, Oklahoma, who, it was alleged by an informant of the Kansas City Office, was being contacted by Volney Davis. Special Agent Frank Smith continued investigation at Seminole, Oklahoma, for the purpose of locating and interviewing Roland Williams and numerous inquiries were made through officers Bob Short and Chris Whitson, special officers attached to the Oil Companies in that vicinity, but with negative results, and no information was obtained as to the whereabouts of Roland Williams, nor any information that Subject Davis had appeared in that vicinity. In view of the fact that this information was provided by an incompetent ex-service man, the fact that there are no indications that Davis has contacted Williams at Seminole, Oklahoma, and in view of subsequent developments as to Volney Davis, no further efforts are being made to locate and interview

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Roland Williams unless directed by Mr. Connelley to do so.

Upon instructions of Mr. Newby of the Bureau, a telephone tap was placed on February 7, 1935, on the telephone of Mrs. L. B. Hoffman, 416 East Oklahoma Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, telephone number 2-7868, for a period of one week, it being noted that Mrs. Hoffman is a sister of Volney Davis. This telephone tap was continued for a period of one week.

The tap resulted only in negative information. A transcript of the conversations heard during this tap is now contained in the Oklahoma City file. Upon telegraphic instructions of the Bureau, by wire of February 15, 1935, this telephone tap was discontinued on that date.

In view of the recent developments concerning Volney Davis, Special Agent Paul Hansen and Special Agent Frank J. Whelan are recontacting informants and law enforcement officials at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and vicinity to arrange for notification of any information received concerning the whereabouts of this Subject, and it is believed that if he appears in Tulsa or vicinity the Oklahoma City Office will be advised.

Under date of February 14, 1935 a mimeographed letter was received from the Chicago Office, requesting that members of the "Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" be contacted to ascertain if they had corresponded with Volney Davis under the alias of George Lawrence Harper. Special Agent J. H. Rice contacted Miss Lillian Newton, Erick, Oklahoma, who stated that she had received only three letters from members of this Club and none of them were from George Lawrence Harper; that she was not acquainted with George Lawrence Harper, nor had she ever corresponded with him, but in the event she received a letter from him she would immediately furnish the same to the Oklahoma City Office.

Special Agent J. H. Rice also contacted Miss Mildred E. Holmes, Route 2, Mountain Park, Oklahoma, who stated that she has been a member of this Club since last October, but has never corresponded with George Lawrence Harper, and had never heard his name mentioned. She stated that in the event she received a letter from him she would forward the same to the Oklahoma City Office, the address of which was furnished her for that purpose.

Special Agent Emerson Hopp contacted Rozella Wilbar, 723 East Maple Street, Cushing, Oklahoma, who stated that she had never corresponded with George Lawrence Harper, and had never heard of this name; that in the event she received any correspondence from him she would immediately notify the Oklahoma City Office by telephone.

Special Agent Frank J. Whelan interviewed Mrs. Gold M. Landers, 730 West 4th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, who stated that she had corresponded with some of the members of this Club but did not recall the name of George Lawrence Harper; that she received the monthly list of members but did not recall this

name and had misplaced the list issued on February 1st; that in the event she received any correspondence from George Lawrence Harper she would immediately notify the Agents at Tulsa, Oklahoma, or the Oklahoma City Office;

As instructed by correspondence and reports received in this case, the "stops" placed at the Oklahoma State Highway Commission have been withdrawn as to the following automobiles:

1934 Buick Club Sedan, motor number 2875177 (Bureau wire 2-25-35)
Ford V8 Coach, motor number 1130843 (letter from Chicago Office 1-30-35)
Ford V8 Victoria Coupe, motor number 1142463 (letter from Chicago Office dated 1-30-35)
Ford, motor number 899365 (letter from Chicago Office dated 2-6-35)
Pontiac Sedan, motor number 1058715, (letter from Kansas City Office dated 2-11-35)

It appearing that the desired results have been obtained, ~~the covers~~ have been withdrawn on the mail received by Mr. and Mrs. Nott Stanley, ~~Box 64, Sapulpa, Oklahoma; Gloyd Stanley, 722 South Cedar Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma; Mrs. W. D. Stanley, Box 64, Cardia, Oklahoma, all relatives of Edna Murray; and the Reynolds family, 419 South Wheeling, Tulsa, Oklahoma, parents of "Ma" Barker.~~

Pursuant to Bureau Letter of February 2, 1935, temporary wanted notices as to Fred Barker have been withdrawn from the Police Departments in the State of Oklahoma;

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

St. Paul, Minnesota

St. Louis FILE NO. 7-43

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| REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-5-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2-20 to 3-4-35 | REPORT MADE BY: D. S. HOSTETTER BSH:F |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O.#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases I.O.#1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O.#1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases I.O.#1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases I.O.#1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases I.O.#1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases I.O.#1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases I.O.#1241 et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING. |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>May Green former paramour of Willie Harrison furnished information concerning associates of Harrison particularly Charles Fitzgerald and facts in connection with events shortly after he was shot on 8-29-33. May Green now confidential informant of this Bureau. Harrison family suspects Agent Buchanan and surveillance of Harrison family was discontinued on 3-2-35. May Green furnished information concerning person known as Whitey who may be identical with the Whitey now indicted with the Karpis-Barker mob.</p> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. L. Shivers St. Louis, Missouri dated 2-23-35.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI</p> <p>May Green former paramour of Willie Harrison who is now employed as a waitress in a coffee shop, Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri was located on February 20, 1935 and furnished a statement as previously appearing in report of reference. Subsequent interviews have developed the following information:</p> <p>May Green is now a brunette formerly a blonde. She lives at 3803 Westminister Place. Her maiden name was May Southward; she married</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>P. E. Vetterli</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | 7-576-4896 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION MAR 7 1935 A.M. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE | |
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Ray Green, Hattisburg, Mississippi during 1928 and lived with him at intervals prior to 1932 when she accepted employment as a waitress, Puroil Building Coffee Shop, Chicago, Illinois. May Green advised that she met Willie Harrison during December of 1932, began living with him as his wife at 310 W. Mason St. Calumet City, Illinois during March of 1933 and left him August 29, 1933 because of his disposition and facts hereinafter stated; that she then went to Washington, D. C. worked as a waitress and hostess at the Mayflower Hotel and lived with Ray Green; that during May of 1934 she received a letter from Willie Harrison asking her to rejoin him at 4237 Summit Ave. Toledo, Ohio advising her that in the event she needed money she should call Pontiac 2079, Toledo, Ohio and ask for P. Beffor (phonetic spelling). This information was recorded in May Green's address book which she displayed and which also contained the numbers 7247 or 7-247 and which, as well as she remembered, referred to some phone number in Toledo, Ohio.

May Green then related that she left Washington, D. C. during June of 1934 and went to Hattisburg, Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee and there she called, on a number of occasions, Pontiac 2079 in Toledo, Ohio collect, in attempting to contact Harrison; that in each instance the calls were paid for and she was advised that Willie Harrison was out but expected back. May Green advised that she could hear music and singing over the phone and was of the opinion that she was talking to someone at a night club. She advised that Harrison was not located and that she returned to St. Louis, Missouri. May Green further stated that upon her return she called Mrs. May Harrison who lives at 4539 Gibson Ave. St. Louis, Missouri and is the mother of Willie Harrison and an acquaintance of hers, and gave Mrs. Harrison her phone number and informed her that she desired to see Willie Harrison when he came to St. Louis, Missouri.

May Green then advised that at 4:00 A.M. shortly after July 4, 1934 Willie Harrison called her and that she took a cab at his request and proceeded to the Harrison home and there met Willie Harrison and the woman who was accompanying him whom she now identifies by photograph as Paula Harmon. May Green distinctly recalls that Paula Harmon's nose and face were badly disfigured by scars, that her fingers were covered with diamonds and that her pocketbook contained what appeared to her to be at least \$10,000.00. May Green further stated that Willie and Paula were driving a black 1934 Ford V8 coupe bearing Ohio license, that she accompanied them to a bookie shop near the Auditorium Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri where they remained the entire day; that Paula was playing the horses and at one time was losing in the neighborhood of \$400.00; that Willie Harrison was apparently broke but at the same time well dressed. May Green further stated that Paula and Willie were apparently going to see someone's father in Southwest, Missouri and then

planned to drive to either Toledo, Ohio or Cleveland, Ohio; that Willie attempted to persuade her to accompany them but neither Paula nor herself welcomed the invitation. May Green further advised that Paula referred to the man with whom she lived as "Sweetie", that Paula also insinuated that she and Willie had arrived in St. Louis some six or eight hours before visiting the Harrison home but at the same time neither Paula nor Willie mentioned the names of the individuals who they met or the purpose of said meeting. May Green further stated that Willie Harrison advised her upon his departure that he would return within a few weeks and hoped that she, by that time, would change her mind and return to live with him. May Green then advised that on September 11, 1934 she received a postcard from Willie postmarked Havana, Cuba saying "I'll be seeing you in a couple of weeks". May Green further related that on October 10, 1934 she left St. Louis, Missouri and went to Washington, D. C. and visited Ray Green; that up until then Willie had not returned to St. Louis. She returned to St. Louis just prior to Christmas, 1934 and on January 1, 1935 called Mrs. May Harrison and inquired concerning Willie. Mrs. Harrison informed her that Willie was here for a few days during the last part of October and the first part of November. May Green then asked Mrs. Harrison where Willie might be located and Mrs. Harrison informed her that he was in Chicago, Illinois but that his address was unknown, whereupon May Green furnished Mrs. Harrison with her address and phone number and requested that she have Willie call her in the event he should return to St. Louis.

May Green furnished the following information concerning Willie Harrison and his past life:

Harrison's first wife was a Chicago girl first name Dickie May, now reported married to a Chicago Police officer, but May Green is of the opinion that it would be useless to interview Harrison's first wife inasmuch as Harrison would not under any circumstances, contact her.

During 1931, Harrison married Ruth Heidt, daughter of a saloon keeper in Gary, Indiana; that they separated prior to July of 1932. According to May Green Ruth Heidt is the type that would associate with gangsters and even though she and Harrison separated they remained on friendly terms and it is quite likely that he would not hesitate to contact her in the event he knew her location. May Green further advised that Willie Harrison usually wears octagonal shaped rimless glasses which not only make him appear much older but also change his appearance considerably.

May Green furnished the following information concerning Harrison's associates with whom she became acquainted during her association with Harrison in 1933:

Harrison's friends and associates were either directly or indirectly connected with Gus Winkler now deceased. Winkler before his death was undoubtedly Harrison's best friend.

May Green identified the photograph of G. J. Fitzgerald as Charles Fitzgerald a friend and associate of Harrison. She recalled a conversation with Fitzgerald concerning the Mayo Clinic which he highly recommended having apparently been a patient there himself. She further stated that on a second occasion she met Fitzgerald at Harrison's saloon and he was then accompanied by Joe Bergyle owner of the Chevrolet Company in Cicero, Illinois. May Green then stated that she understood that Joe Bergyle who was also a friend of Harrison's, furnished these gangsters with automobiles, that it was rumored that Bergyle sold Machine Gun Kelley the automobile in which he left Chicago, Illinois for Memphis, Tennessee and that apparently Bergyle was well acquainted with the activities of these individuals and she is of the opinion that while Bergyle may now be aware of Harrison's location at the same time it would be useless for an agent of this department to interview him for any information.

May Green further stated that she and Harrison occasionally visited a club owned by Jimmy Burke, Ted Agnus and Bert Agnus which she thinks is located on Stony Island Ave. and is known as the Green Lantern, that Harrison was well acquainted with these three men and on one occasion warned her about paying so much attention to Jimmy Burke. She then stated "You know I could have gone for Burke in a big way". May Green further stated that she understood Burke and Agnus brothers had now separated and were operating separately, that she is of the opinion that the Agnus brothers are in Toledo, Ohio.

May Green further related that Harrison and a man named Tucker first name unknown, were in partnership in Calumet City, Illinois; that Tucker's wife was named Nettie; that the Tuckers are now supposed to be living in Savannah, Georgia; that this partnership was dissolved because Harrison did not trust Tucker. May Green is of the opinion that Tucker would be unable to locate Harrison because of the above mentioned mistrust.

May Green identified a photograph of Harry Campbell as a man who lived with them for a few days during 1933 and who Willie Harrison introduced to her as George. She was unable to furnish additional information concerning George and advised that she did not recall having seen this individual before or since.

May Green then advised that during March of 1930 she was on a six weeks' party at Miami, Florida with a newspaper man from New York City at which time she met Joe Adams part owner of a race track

and a real estate agent in Miami, Florida; that she was introduced to Adams at the Al Cazar Hotel; that during 1933 in Chicago, Illinois she again met this Joe Adams and was somewhat surprised when Adams informed her that he and Harrison were the best of friends; that Adams also informed her that he was in Chicago, Illinois contemplating opening a race track if racing was legalized. She further advised that from the conversation that ensued, she gathered that Harrison and Adams became acquainted in Miami, Florida prior to her association with either and she is of the opinion that Harrison at that time was employed by one of the race tracks in Miami, Florida.

May Green further stated that Clarence Coff, a friend of the Harrison family, lived with them in Calumet City, Illinois. She advised that in her opinion Clarence Coff would be unable to furnish information concerning the individuals with whom Willie Harrison was acquainted explaining that Clarence Coff was not allowed to stay at the house when Willie's friends or strangers visited him. Inasmuch as Clarence Coff who lives at 4373 W. Papin St., St. Louis, Missouri is a confidential informant in instant case, further information concerning what he might or might not know is not now included in this report. May Green further stated that she recalls that an attorney named W. W. O'Brien in Chicago, Illinois was known among Willie and his friends as a man who could spring them without much trouble.

May Green advised that she recalls Frank Osborne as an individual who continually hung around Willie Harrison's saloon but who in her opinion was never in on any of the activities that Willie or his friends might undertake.

May Green advised that on August 29, 1933 she and Harrison went to bed and sometime after midnight they were awakened when a car drove in their garage, that Harrison went out and she heard a considerable moaning and heard one man say, "I didn't think he would shoot so low;" that Harrison then came in the house and informed her that Charles Fitzgerald was shot and that he was going to bring him into the house, whereupon she told Harrison that she did not intend to live in any gangsters' hide-out and would leave if he intended to hide a bunch of desperate criminals in their home. She advised that Willie informed her that Fitzgerald was his friend and that he intended to bring him in the house, that she thereupon began to pack and left about thirty minutes later by cab for Chicago, Illinois and the following day she left Chicago, Illinois for Washington, D. C. May Green advised however that before her departure from the Harrison home she saw them bringing Fitzgerald in the house; that he was shot below the waist and as she recalls three times in the right thigh, that four men were with him one who she only saw at a distance and who, as well as she remembers, was wearing a large dark sweater and a cap. She was unable to furnish additional

information concerning this individual. The other three she had seen before around Willie Harrison's Saloon but knew them only by their first names, one was called Pete, one she knew as Slim the Swede and Jimmy and the third as Lee. She further advised that she distinctly recalls that these men referred to Lee but that she was unable to remember the details concerning his description. She further advised that Pete, so she had been informed, was paid \$150.00 a week by Gus Winkler. She described Pete as follows:

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| Age | 30 |
| Height | 5 feet 10 |
| Weight | 135 |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Build | Slender |
| Complexion | Fair |

May Green advised that she was better acquainted with Pete and Fitzgerald than the rest and remembers that he lived in Cicero; that he appeared to be a young boy but had a reputation for being a dangerous killer and that she recalls that he usually drove a large Hudson and was considered one of Gus Winkler's right hand men. She further stated that in her opinion judging from the conversation she overheard while packing, Fitzgerald was shot during a hold-up of what she thinks was a bank.

May Green further related that a friend of Harrison called Whitey, stayed around the house during the day for about a month during the period that she lived with Harrison. She described Whitey as follows:

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| Age | 36 |
| Height | 5 feet 8 |
| Weight | 130 |
| Hair | Blonde, partially bald |
| Marital Status | Single |
| Peculiarities | Never wore a hat, only fairly dressed; Hacking cough |
| Education | None |

May Green further advised that she could identify the individual who she knew as "Whitey"; that at that time he was driving a 1931 Ford coupe and was living over a night club located at Blue Island, Illinois between Hammond, Indiana and Chicago, Illinois. She advised that this night club could be located as follows:

Drive from Chicago towards Hammond, Indiana and as you cross the railroad track in Blue Island, Illinois turn to the right, and that this night club is located on the end of the first block. She further advised that by following the same directions and turning to the left

and driving one block you would observe a small little box-like structure and it was here that Whitey made contacts with other criminals. May Green advised that she recalls a conversation between Whitey and Willie Harrison in which Whitey informed Willie that he intended to meet the hottest man in Chicago in this little shack and Willie requested Whitey to bring him out to the house and that Whitey advised then that the individual who he intended to meet would consider that too much of a chance. May Green further stated that Whitey informed her that he had a girl named Tiny who had a crippled leg and was now living in Houston, Texas. May Green further stated that during the summer of 1935 Whitey informed her that he intended to go to California and that since his departure she does not recall of having heard his name mentioned.

It should be noted that photographs of the Karpis-Barker mob were displayed to May Green on at least two occasions during the past week and that she failed to identify any of the individuals who were accompanying Fitzgerald as members of this gang.

May Green further stated that a man who she knew as Red and whose last name she thinks was Price, was a very close friend of Fitzgerald; that in her opinion Red was apparently, from outward appearances, the most dangerous criminal that she became acquainted with during her association with Willie Harrison and his friends. She further advised that Red had a brother whose first name was John and who was now serving a sentence for a bank robbery in Nebraska.

May Green was questioned concerning long distance phone calls made from the home of Willie Harrison during the time she associated with him and satisfactorily explained to whom these calls were made. The two calls as appearing in former reports of this case to California, were made by May Green, the one to Los Angeles, California being to her husband Ray Green and one to San Diego, California being to Harry Stanley, a very good friend. May Green displayed letters from these two individuals, the contents of which indicated that these calls had no connection with this case. She further advised that one of the two calls to St. Louis, Missouri was made by Clarence Coff to his home and that the other one was made by herself to her sister. May Green then explained that the long distance phone calls to Jacksonville, Florida were made on connection with a whiskey deal between Willie Harrison and his partner Mr. Tucker. She advised that as well as she remembers the calls were placed at Jacksonville by Nettie Tucker at the home of her aunt.

After questioning and associating with May Green at intervals for approximately a week, it was deemed advisable and arranged for her to become a confidential informant of this Bureau. In the explanation of some of the apparent meagre information appearing in this report as furnished by May Green, it should be noted that she was sick for

approximately twomonths during her association with Harrison.

It is believed that she will follow any instructions and cooperate to any extent upon being assured that her name will be kept in strict confidence and that no publicity will be given to her actions in cooperating with this Bureau. The source of any information appearing in this report should be held in the strictest of confidence inasmuch as it is believed that in the event Willie Harrison should return to St. Louis, Missouri or even contact his family who live in this locality, the Bureau will be immediately advised by this informant.

May Green further advised that Mrs. May Harrison, mother of Willie Harrison, considered her a close friend and had previously informed her that she was by far the most decent girl Willie had ever associated with. May Green, acting upon instructions advised Mrs. Harrison on March 1, 1935 upon a visit to the Harrison home, that she only recently returned to St. Louis, Missouri, but that she had been worrying about Willie since noticing a newspaper article indicating that he had been indicted at St. Paul, Minnesota in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case. May Green further advised Mrs. Harrison that she was suspicious and afraid to talk to people who were not proven friends of Willie.

According to May Green, Mrs. May Harrison advised her that Willie Harrison came to St. Louis, Missouri during the late summer with an elderly woman in an expensive automobile, that she now knows from pictures seen that this woman was Kate Barker, that they only remained a few minutes and said they were leaving for Kansas City, Missouri, that Willie Harrison returned the following day and after visiting his father who was then sick in the hospital, for a few hours, departed for Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Harrison further stated that during the last of October 1934 Willie arrived in St. Louis, Missouri by plane from California and remained here for a few days, that he informed her that he had been in Havana, Cuba and had taken a plane from there to California, that he had then taken a plane from California to St. Louis and that upon his departure from St. Louis for Chicago, Illinois he also used a plane. Mrs. May Harrison further advised May Green that Willie was in Chicago, Illinois but where she did not know, that no doubt he must be in some serious trouble inasmuch as he failed to visit her during the Christmas holidays. But that during the holidays she received a package from him sent from Chicago and also a letter postmarked Gary, Indiana and written on a Gary, Indiana hotel stationery, name of the hotel unknown. Mrs. Harrison further advised that recently they began to suspect a man next door; that they now believed him to be a detective, that he has a car and rides Mr. Harrison around and they do hope Willie Harrison does not return home; that while the rest of the family realize that Willie Harrison is a fugitive from justice, they have attempted to

prevent Mr. Harrison from learning the truth and consequently he is not the least bit suspicious.

Mrs. May Harrison displayed May Green's address and telephone number which she had in her purse and which had been heretofore furnished to her by May Green and then advised May Green that she should tell Willie to call her in the event he came to St. Louis, Missouri and would call her should she hear from him, and she should do the same. Mrs. Harrison advised May Green that she was very thoughtful for not using the phone inasmuch as the officers might be watching or listening for any calls concerning Willie Harrison. She also informed May Green that she should come out and talk with her whenever she found it possible. It should be noted that May Green was instructed not to ask too many questions during this first visit and it is now thought possible that May Green may again visit Mrs. May Harrison within the near future without arousing her suspicion. May Green is of the opinion that Willie Harrison will spend the majority of his time in Cicero, Illinois; that he is by far too well acquainted in Hammond, Indiana and Calumet City, Illinois to make more than casual visits in that vicinity.

May Green has advised that she will immediately report to the St. Louis Office any information she might obtain concerning the location of Willie Harrison or any of his associates.

The Bureau, upon being advised that the Harrison family apparently suspected Special Agent W. L. Buchanan, instructed that the surveillance of the Harrison family be discontinued on the afternoon of March 2, 1935 and the following memorandum has been submitted by Special Agent W. L. Buchanan:

Agent's previous reports while living unknown at 4541 Gibson St. St. Louis, Missouri reflect that agent has gained the confidence and friendship of Mr. W. J. Harrison, father of subject Willie Harrison and Elmer and Walter Harrison, brothers of Willie. That agent has also gained the friendship of Micky McCard, caddy master for the Harrison brothers at Algonquin Country Club St. Louis, Missouri. Micky rooms across the hall from agent at Daskalos home. Agent has also gained the confidence of A. A. Ruddick who also rooms at the Daskalos home and is employed at the Independent Packing Company located at 3815 Chouteau Ave. St. Louis, Missouri.

On January 20 while in conversation with George Daskalos and Micky McCard at the Daskalos home, Daskalos asked Micky if he had heard from Willie. Micky stated that he had not heard from him; that he had talked with Elmer and Walter about Willie being in trouble, and had also discussed the story appearing in the St. Louis papers about Willie Harrison being associated with the Kerpis-Barker gang. That none of the Harrison family had heard from Willie and didn't have any idea where he was.

On January 21 during the afternoon Mr. W. J. Harrison dropped in to visit agent at the Daskalos home. While in conversation Daskalos asked Mr. Harrison how the boys were getting along, and if he had heard from Willie. Mr. Harrison stated that the boys Walter, Elmer and Donald were getting along fine at the Club; that they hadn't heard a word from Willie.

During the afternoon of January 25, Mr. Harrison again visited agent. While in conversation Mr. Harrison mentioned reading in the St. Louis papers about the Karpis-Barker gang; that he thought they should all be caught and if found guilty, should be electrocuted; that he thought kidnaping was the worst crime anyone could commit.

It should be noted that Willie Harrison's name has been mentioned on two occasions in the St. Louis papers, associating him with the Karpis-Barker gang, but on each occasion Walter or Elmer would take the paper away from home so their parents would not have a chance to read it. Agent is of the opinion Mr. Harrison does not know of Willie's association with the gang.

During the evening of January 26, while in conversation with A. A. Ruddick in agent's room, Micky came in. During conversation, Ruddick mentioned reading in St. Louis papers about Willie Harrison being indicted along with several others in the Bremer kidnaping case, and asked Micky what Elmer and Walter thought about it. Micky said that they had not heard from Willie; that Elmer told him, Micky, that his mother had read the story in the papers about Willie being indicted, but she had not mentioned it to Mr. Harrison, on account of his physical condition. Micky further stated that Mr. Harrison would cry when Willie's name was mentioned, and she could not understand why Willie did not write to her.

Ruddick stated that if he was in Willie's position he would give himself up and try to get out as lightly as possible, and asked Micky if he did not think that was the best thing to do.

Micky stated that he had known Willie for a long time; that Willie had been bootlegging several years and thought he was smart; that he was of the opinion Willie would not write home as he would figure all mail coming to his home would be watched; that the telephone was also probably being checked; that Willie was too hard headed and stubborn to give himself up; that we would probably read about him being killed somewhere; that Willie always carried his pistol.

On March 1, agent received instructions from Acting Special Agent in Charge G. B. Norris to discontinue surveillance of the Harrison home at once; that May Green, a former paramour of Willie Harrison and a confidential informant of agents of this Bureau, had ascertained

while visiting Mrs. W. J. Harrison at 4539 Gibson St. St. Louis, Missouri that the Harrison family were of the opinion agent was some kind of a detective. Agent had mentioned on several occasions about visiting Chicago and had recently told members of the Daskalos family that a supposed friend from Texas would visit St. Louis in the near future and wanted agent to accompany him to Chicago. Saturday March 2, agent sent a fake telegram to himself at Daskalos home, supposedly from the friend in Texas, advising agent to meet him at the Union Station during the afternoon. Agent had this wire delivered during his absence. On agent's return, Daskalos gave agent the wire and asked if anyone was sick. Agent read the wire aloud and told Daskalos that he would meet his friend and proceed to Chicago the next day. Daskalos asked agent to stop and visit him on his return trip from Chicago. Agent is of the opinion his identity is not known by the Daskalos family.

In associating with A. A. Ruddick, agent visited in his home at Centralia, Illinois. Agent deemed it advisable to reveal his identity to him and asked his cooperation in locating Willie Harrison in the event he visited his home. Agent ascertained while associating with Ruddick that he had worked for the Swift Packing Company in Chicago and was now holding a responsible job as shipping clerk at the Independent Packing Company St. Louis, Missouri; that he had been in the Army, serving several months in Hawaiian Islands; that he had told agent several times the reason he was living with Daskalos was that the room rent was cheap and he had had several cuts during the past year and could not afford to pay more rent. On being informed of agent's identity he agreed to furnish any information he might obtain, and he would not reveal agent's identity to the Daskalos family or the Harrison family. Agent furnished him with the Bureau Office telephone number and also the telephone number of the Special Agent in Charge.

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Editorial Department

February 27, 1935

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent us from one of our readers who thinks he has located Dr. Joseph P. Moran, whose photograph and description appeared in the March 1935 Line-up of the MASTER DETECTIVE. Although I know that he has already written you asking for photograph, I am forwarding this letter to you in the thought that it might be of some value to your Florida agent. As the writer has asked that his name be kept confidential, we have kept it off the copy of letter which we are sending you.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours

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Sunday I wrote Washington Bureau of Investigation in reference to a photo in March Master Detective Line-Up of Dr. Jos Moran connected with Bremer Kidnapping. Next I contacted Eugene Forsyth, Safety Director and explained that the man asked for St. Paul and Minneapolis papers at my newsstand and that he answered all the descriptions in Line-Up but the eyes were a blue slate.

We trailed him to his residence this morning and Director of Safety and Detectives will investigate this man.

Now I am writing you to inform you that if this is the man, I do not want any publicity as I have a big magazine and newsstand business here.

Here's hoping you add another capture to your list and I the one who recognised the culprit.

I remain, in haste

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March 5, 1935.

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Mr. Lowell Ames Morris,
Line-Up Editor,
True Detective Mysteries,
MacFadden Building,
1926 Broadway at 64th Street,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 27, 1935, inclosing a copy of a letter received from one of your readers, containing information relative to the possible location of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

This Bureau received a letter from an individual at Pensacola, Florida, furnishing similar information which has been investigated by representatives of this Bureau with negative results.

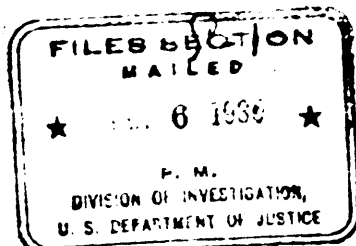
Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Laboratory Report

March 9, 1935.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O.
1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with
aliases, I. O. 1232, et al; Edward
George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-4680

Specimens: 12 gauge Remington automatic shotgun, #367197, with sawed off
barrel and stock.
.12 gauge Winchester pump gun, #799868, with sawed off barrel
and stock.
.401 caliber Winchester automatic rifle, 1910 Model, #12304.
.32 caliber Colt automatic pistol, #404724.
.32 caliber Colt automatic pistol, #433263, and loaded clip.

Examination requested by:
Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: 2-20-35

Examination requested: Fire test shots.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Parsons

The test bullets and shells were taken from all of these weapons
and compared with all specimens of their respective types contained in
the Laboratory file but no identification was made.

These test specimens are being filed, appropriately indexed, for
possible future comparisons.

These weapons are being retained in the Laboratory collection of
firearms.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: Unknown Subjects;
Alvin Karpis with aliases,
I. O. 1218; Dr. Joseph P.
Moran with aliases, I. O.
1232, et al; Edward George
Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report
covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office
in connection with the above entitled matter and received in
the Division February 20, 1935.

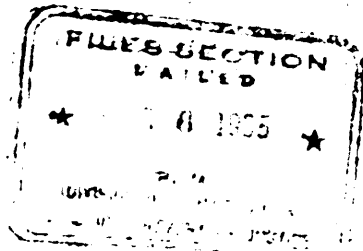
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago.



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March 6, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Under date of January 31, 1935, the Bureau addressed a letter to Mr. Frank L. Garbarino, Suite Six, Pralinger Building, Atlantic City, New Jersey, copy of which letter was furnished your office with the request that an agent be assigned to interview Mr. Garbarino relative to the information furnished by him concerning the escape of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell from the Atlantic City Police Department on the morning of January 20, 1935.

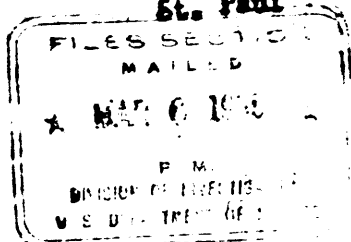
In connection with this same matter, you were instructed by the Bureau to conduct a discreet but thorough investigation of the information furnished by Mr. M. E. Markland, a contractor of Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The Bureau desires that this investigation be expedited and a report submitted covering the investigation at the earliest practicable date.

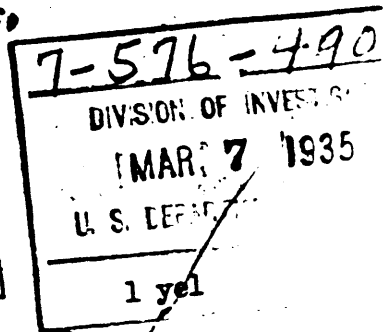
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul



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March 6, 1935

REN:MAM
62-28309

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, etc.
I. O. 1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER
Victim: KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Under date of February 9, 1935, the Bureau addressed a communication to you, instructing that an agent be assigned to interview Mrs. Margaret Lingo Turkish, 428 North State Street, New Albany, Indiana, relative to a telegram which she directed to the Bureau under date of February 5, 1935.

The Bureau desires that this matter receive your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - E. J. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul

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Laboratory Report

March 6, 1935

Number: 7-576

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218; Dr.
Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Specimens: One .351 Rifle converted into a machine gun, number obliterated.
Three 25 cartridge clips.
One leather gun tool kit.
One rifle case.

Examination requested by: Bureau

Date received: February 28, 1935

Examination requested: Raise obliterated numbers and fire test shots.

Examination by: Parsons

Result of examination:

Test bullets and cartridge cases were taken from this gun and compared with all specimens of the same type contained in the Laboratory File but no identification was made. This gun has been converted into a full automatic and was found to function as such. In addition to the three cartridge clips and some miscellaneous .351 caliber ammunition contained in the rifle case a small leather tool kit was found which contained some parts from either a Browning automatic rifle or a Colt Monitor, these pieces being the same on each gun. There was also a pamphlet describing the Colt Monitor rifle and it is believed that this case was probably intended for a gun of that type.

The serial number on this gun has been obliterated by punching and marking over with steel dies. This will make it extremely difficult to restore the serial number but efforts will be made and you will be further advised as to the success of the treatment.

This gun will be retained in the Laboratory collection of firearms.

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2-Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago
1-St. Paul
2-Laboratory

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
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Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

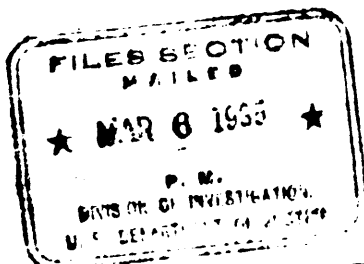
There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens received in the Bureau Laboratory February 28, 1935 in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #318460

cc-St. Paul



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 28, 1935

Time - 12:35 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

I telephoned Mr. Kingman at the Jacksonville Office relative to the police broadcast which was sent out by the police at Jacksonville, Florida at the instance of Special Agent in Charge Alt relative to Karpis and Campbell, on the occasion of their being located at Atlantic City, New Jersey recently. I told him that it was desired to ascertain just exactly how much information was furnished to the Jacksonville Police either before or after this broadcast; that is, whether they knew at the time of the broadcast the correct identity of the persons in question, and whether they were told the identity of the persons after the broadcast.

Mr. Kingman stated that he believed that he could get this information through the police broadcaster through discreet inquiry and without disclosing the source of the inquiry or the purpose thereof.

I requested Mr. Kingman to telephone me the information as soon as he obtained the same.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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February, 23rd.

John Edgar Hoover, Director,
Div. of Investigation,
U.S. Dep't. of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Re: Your Iden. Order #1236
Harry CAMPBELL.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the above wanted subject, Harry
CAMPBELL, your Iden. Order #1236, F.P.C. 15/ O/I 30/24
W/W 000/101.

In filing card of the above referred to subject,
notice that you list among his relatives, a brother living
in Long Beach, Calif.
This brother, Clell Campbell has a wife and two daughters
residing in this city, having been deserted by Campbell
over a year ago.

It is our desire to obtain the address of Clell
Campbell if possible and thought you may have some address
on file as you know of the brother residing in Long Beach,
Calif.

Should you have the address of this brother,
will appreciate you relaying same to this department as we
will no doubt be able to apprehend him on a charge of wife
and child desertion.

Very truly yours,
THOS. J. POTTER,
Chief of Police.

By: *Carl J. Andrews*
Carl J. Andrews,
Serg't. of Detectives.

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cc - As Paul
J. Andrews
Mr. C. J. Andrews

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FILE NO. **7-45 MRF**

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| REPORT MADE AT: PHILADELPHIA, PA. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/6/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/11/35 | REPORT MADE BY: R. D. WILLS |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; I. O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219 RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1213 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232 et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Frank L. Garbarino readdressed to Agent information sent to the Bureau in letter dated January 25, 1935.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>P.</u></p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Letter from the Director dated January 31, 1935.</p> | | | |
| DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">On February 27, 1935 Agent called at the residence of Mr. Frank L. Garbarino, relative to obtaining additional information concerning information forwarded by Mr. Garbarino to the Bureau in his letter dated January 25, 1935. Mr. Garbarino was unable to give any additional information concerning persons who had probably harbored the Subject and his companions during their stay in Atlantic City. He did state, however, that if he should receive any additional information he would immediately forward a letter to this office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>P E N D I N G</u></p> | | | |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. J. Haney</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | 7-576-4906 MAR 8-1935 4 M BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <u>STAT. SECT.</u> FILE | |
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Post Office Box 812
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March 4, 1935

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.
1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.
1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O.
1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O.
1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases,
I.O. 1239; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases,
I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases,
I.O. 1241; ET AL. EDWARD G. BREMER -
VICTIM - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter under date of
2/28/35, wherein a request for certain investigation is made
of the St. Paul Bureau Office, concerning information furnished
to the Chicago Bureau Office, by a confidential informant.

This is to advise that this confidential informant
is one [redacted] who has in the past, furnished reliable infor-
mation to this Office, in the above entitled case.

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Very truly yours

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 7, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I. O. #1237; WILLIAM WEAVER
with aliases, I. O. #1238; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I. O. #1239; HARRY
SAWYER with aliases, I. O. #1240; MYRTLE
EATON with aliases, I. O. #1241; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.

In accordance with your letter dated March 5, 1935, there
is being submitted herewith a set of fingerprints of Wynona Burdette,
to be used in the preparation of a chart to prove the presence of this
individual in the house occupied by subject Alvin Karpis and Dolores
Delaney at Miami, Florida. These prints were taken at the Duval
County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida, on March 7, 1935, by Special Agent
J. P. Lacour, and witnessed by Special Agent R. B. Donaldson.

Please be advised that on the night of March 5, 1935, after
Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney were incarcerated in the Duval
County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida, to which point they had been re-
moved from Miami, Florida, Wynona Burdette stated to the
writer and Special Agent J. P. Lacour, that she and Harry Campbell
left Oklawaha, Florida, where they had been living with Fred and Kate
Barker, and proceeded to Miami, Florida, for a visit with Alvin Karpis
and Dolores Delaney, their departure from Oklawaha, occurring on
Sunday, January 13, 1935, prior to the raid at Oklawaha on the 16th.

Wynona further stated that at the time she and Harry Campbell
left Oklawaha it was their intention to return Tuesday, January 15,
but that for some unknown reason they remained over another night,
thereby missing the raid.

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When questioned as to whether they had read of the raid in the newspaper, Wynona replied that they heard it over the radio, about 10:00 A. M., January 16, 1935, and immediately began making plans for their departure from Miami.

This information is being mentioned for the interest of the Division inasmuch as it is in line with the evidence the Division is attempting to put forth to definitely show and place this individual in the house occupied by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney at Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc - St. Paul
Mr. E. J. Connelley,
at Chicago.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 7, 1935, transmitting a set of fingerprints of Wynona Burdette in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1218, et al; Edward G. Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

Charted photographic enlargements are now being prepared of the latent print developed on the bottle found in the Karpis hideout at Miami, Florida, and of the fingerprint of Wynona Burdette with which it was identified.

A transcript of the criminal record of Wynona Burdette as it appears in the main fingerprint files of the Bureau is transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

March 6, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218-FUG.;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237-FUG.;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.
St. Paul file No. 7-30.

In connection with the investigation conducted by the Chicago Bureau office in that territory, there was recovered approximately \$2,695.00 of the actual ransom money which was subsequently delivered to the St. Paul Bureau office in September, 1934.

Mr. George E. Sullivan, United States Attorney, was immediately conferred with on receipt of this money with a view to having a Court order issued directing the Clerk of the United States District Court to hold the money as evidence in the case. At that time, he declined to take such action in view of the fact that the money is principally evidence against John J. McLaughlin, Sr.; and as yet, a definite decision has not been reached as to whether McLaughlin will be prosecuted. Mr. Sullivan has conferred with officials of the Department and advised this office that they are awaiting the decision of the higher Courts in the Urschel case before attempting to arrive at a decision in this case. It was expected at that time that the decision in the Urschel case would soon be handed down. From time to time Mr. Sullivan has been contacted, the most recent date being March 4, 1935, at which time he advised that a decision has not as yet been reached.

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The money in question is being held in a small cabinet safe in the St. Paul Bureau office.

This matter is being brought to the attention of the Bureau in order that the Bureau may be currently informed and for the further purpose of deciding whether it is advisable to place this money in a safety deposit box until a decision has been made as to whether the Clerk of the United States District Court will accept the money.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
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Special Agent in Charge

RCC:HVS
Cc Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Chicago, Ill.

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March 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 8, 1935 wherein you advise that there is being held in a small cabinet safe in the St. Paul Office approximately \$2,695.00 identified as a portion of the ransom money paid in connection with this case which was recovered and is being held as evidence against John J. McLaughlin, Sr.

I desire that you immediately arrange through the United States Attorney at St. Paul to turn this money over to the Clerk of the Court or the United States Marshal to be held until such time as it may be introduced in evidence.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Mr. Connelley

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J P MACFARLAND
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
612 MARINE TRUST BUILDING
BUFFALO NEWYORK

BREKID ALBERT MURRELL TAKEN IN CUSTODY BY SHERIFF MIAMI FLORIDA TODAY
COMMUNICATING WITH DOLORES DELANEY AND WINONA BURDETTE COUNTY JAIL DENIES
ANY ASSOCIATION BREKID GANG OR PRIOR ACQUAINTANCE GIRLS STOP CLAIMS
RESIDENCE TWO SIX WHITNEY PLACE AND FORMERLY EMPLOYED BELLHOP FORD HOTEL
TWO TEN DELAWARE BUFFALO NEWYORK STOP CONDUCT IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION
CONCERNING MURRELL WHETHER KNOWN POLICE BUFFALO AND OTHERS ADVISE TELEGRAPHICALLY

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J E P DUNN
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
617 FEDERAL BUILDING
LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA

BRKID RELIABLE INFORMANT HERE STATES FRANKIE FOSTER FORMER CAPORE
SYNDICATE HOODLUM AND LINGLE KILLING SUSPECT AND NOW WELL KNOWN
LOSANGELES HOODLUM IS CONTACT MEMBERS THIS GANG AT LOSANGELES ALSO
REPORTED CLOSE ASSOCIATE SUBJECT HARRY SAWYER STOP VOLNEY DAVIS MAILED
LETTER POSTMARKED SAINT GEORGE UTAH FEBRUARY TWENTY NINTH TO KANSASCITY
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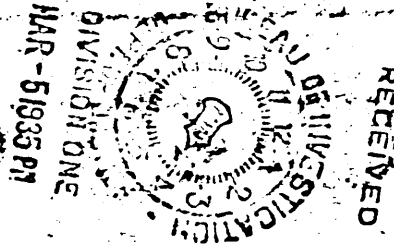
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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 6, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fug. I.O. 1218;
LARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237 - Fug.;
DR. JOSE J. MORAN with aliases I.O. 1237, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Under date of February 22, 1935, John C. Decourcy, Attorney, Commercial Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, addressed a letter to the manager of the Beaumont Apartments, 3028 Baltimore Street, Kansas City, Missouri, requesting that clothing and other articles left in the apartment previously occupied at that place by Edna Murray and Volney Davis be packed and shipped to Mrs. L.D. Stanley, Cardin, Oklahoma. Upon receipt of this letter the manager, Mrs. Schupan, immediately communicated with the Kansas City Bureau Office, pursuant to previous arrangements.

Mrs. Schupan was subsequently interviewed and pursuant to the instructions of Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, she was advised that the Bureau was not interested in further holding the property in question. Arrangements were made, however, whereby she would advise the Kansas City Bureau Office when the goods were shipped in order that they might be traced to their destination.

On March 4, 1935 Mrs. Schupan telephonically advised the Kansas City Bureau Office that she had received a letter from O. J. Harper (the name under which Subject Davis occupied apartment 809 at the Beaumont Apartments), postmarked St. George, Utah, February 29, 1935. This letter requested that she store his baggage until such time as he could call for it or send for it. The letter bore date of February 17, 1935 but contained nothing which would furnish any clue as to Davis' present whereabouts.

Mrs. Schupan was immediately interviewed concerning this matter and arrangements made whereby she will store the baggage in question in the basement of the apartment building and will promptly notify the Kansas City Bureau Office if she receives any further information.

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information or anyone calls for this baggage. She was furnished with the telephone number of the office, as well as my own residence telephone number and that of Special Agents Andersen and Miller in order that any information might be reported by her at any hour of the day or night.

In order to allow ample time for Agents of this office to reach the apartment building, if anyone calls there for the baggage, Mrs. Schupan will pretend that the key to the locker in which the baggage is stored was last used by her husband and she will then telephone to him in order to ascertain where the key can be found. It has been arranged that Mr. Schupan will immediately advise the Kansas City Bureau Office that someone is at the apartment building inquiring concerning the baggage in question.

Mrs. Schupan has also furnished the aforementioned telephone numbers to the colored janitor at the apartment building with instructions that he slip out of the building and notify this office if anyone appears and inquires concerning this baggage.

In compliance with Bureau instructions this office will maintain close contact with Mrs. Schupan and you will be kept informed of any further developments in this matter.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Mr. Connelly, Chicago

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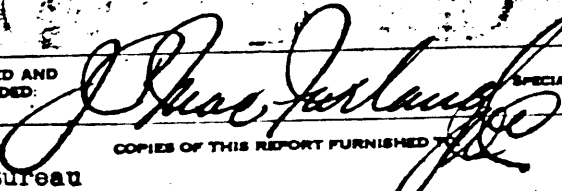
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| REPORT MADE AT: BUFFALO, N. Y. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/6/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/30/35 2/11 - 3/5/35 | REPORT MADE BY: J. D. CUNNINGHAM |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. #1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim | | | |
| <p>Various stop orders placed at Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Albany, NY. Auto and burglar shotgun #361601 shipped to Stuard-Jeffers Hardware Co., Amboy, Ind., 11/30/23. 12 gauge pump shotgun #272807 shipped Sears Roebuck & Co., Chicago, Ill. 8/9/28. Albert J. Murrell employed Hotels Ford and Statler, Buffalo, NY; also as chauffeur for one Graham of Detroit, Mich. in 1933. No police record at Buffalo PD or Sheriff's office Erie County.</p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: | | <p>Report of Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland, Buffalo, N. Y., dated 2/11/35. Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill. - (Special Assignment), dated 2/20/35. Telegram from Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Fla., dated 3/4/35.</p> | |
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DETAILS:

From time to time the Buffalo office has been in receipt of communications from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois (Special Assignment) relative to the placing of stop orders on various cars and applications for operator's licenses at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Albany, New York. In each instance these stop orders were placed and this office was advised that in the event an application is received at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Albany, New York, the Buffalo Bureau office will be immediately notified.

On January 30, 1935 Captain Rickard of the Identification Unit of the Buffalo Police Department advised this office that one Ruth Martin was in custody, and inasmuch as this name is an alias of Myrtle Eaton, I.O. #1241, the writer immediately contacted Captain Rickard, but an examination of the fingerprints of Ruth Martin in custody, showed beyond any doubt that she was not the person being sought in instant case.

In reference letter, dated February 20, 1935, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois (Special Assignment) advised this office that the number of the 20 gauge auto and burglar sawed-off shotgun manufactured by the Ithaca Gun Company was 361601 instead of 109198, as previously furnished this office. Special Agent P. J. Cotter in an interview with Mr. E. Holland, Chief Clerk, Repair & Shipping Department, Ithaca Gun Company, Ithaca, New York, ascertained that this gun had been shipped to Stuard-Jeffers Hardware Company, Amboy, Indiana on November 30, 1923. At the Remington Arms Company, Inc., Ilion, New York, it was ascertained from the Chief Shipping Clerk that 12 gauge pump shotgun #272907 was sold and shipped to Sears, Roebuck & Company, Chicago, Illinois on August 9, 1928. No further records were obtained from either company in regard to subsequent sale of these guns. This information was reported to Mr. E. J. Connelley in letter dated March 4, 1935.

Reference is made to the report of the writer, dated January 23, 1935 at Buffalo, New York, in which it is stated that a cover was being placed on all telegrams delivered to Joseph Morrison, 442 Main Street and 77 Traymore Avenue, Buffalo, New York, due to the registration of a Buick Sedan, bearing 1935 Florida license plates D5306, which car was registered in the name of Leroy Morrison, 442 Main Street, Buffalo, New York. On February 23, 1935 Mr. J. L. Brady, Superintendent of the Commercial Department, Western Union Telegraph Company, Buffalo, New York, advised that Mrs. J. R. Morrison, 77 Traymore Avenue, Buffalo, New York, had received the following telegram:

"STOPPING HOTEL FRANKLIN MIAMI BEACH SEND NIGHT LETTER HOW YOU BOTH ARE
/s/ DADDY"

Upon receipt of this information the writer called at 442 Main Street, Buffalo, New York and was advised by a Mr. Cohen that Mr. Morrison was in Florida and would be there for approximately two months. This information was forwarded to the Jacksonville office by letter, dated February 23, 1935, for appropriate attention.

In reference telegram Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, advised that Albert J. Murrell had been taken into custody at Miami, Florida on March 4, 1935 while communicating with Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette; that this individual denies any association with the Brekid gang or prior acquaintance with these girls; that he claims to have resided at 26 Whitney Place Buffalo, New York, and was formerly employed as a bellhop at the Ford Hotel, 210 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo.

Upon receipt of this telegram the writer interviewed William Needles at the Ford Hotel, and he stated that he recalled Murrell, he having been employed there as a bell boy at various times in the past. Mr. Needles referred the writer to Edward Haley, bell boy, an acquaintance of Murrell.

Mr. Haley stated that he first met Murrell in Buffalo about seven years ago, at which time Murrell worked for a few weeks at the Ford Hotel; that after leaving the Ford Hotel Murrell traveled to Florida; that he subsequently returned to Buffalo and secured employment at the Hotel Statler. Mr. Haley further stated that in 1933 he had met Murrell in Florida; that at that time Murrell was a private chauffeur to some man from Detroit, Michigan, whose name he could not recall. Mr. Haley recalled that Murrell had been employed on various Great Lakes boats and had secured his long shoreman papers.

Mr. Needles was re-interviewed, and he stated that the last time Murrell was employed at the Ford Hotel was six or seven months ago, at which time he was discharged on suspicion of stealing a bottle of whiskey from a guest. He described Murrell as being a "wise guy", quite pugilistic, and a man who had evidently seen a lot of the world. He recalled Murrell being employed as a chauffeur for some man from Detroit, whose name he could not recall, but did recall that he married a wealthy woman some years older than himself.

Mr. L. M. Bartholomew, Assistant Manager, Hotel Statler, Buffalo, New York, stated that he recalled Murrell having

worked there as an elevator boy; also, in the engine room on the furnaces. He stated that approximately in 1932 a wealthy man from Detroit had stopped at the Hotel Statler, taken a liking to Murrell, and had engaged him as his chauffeur. Subsequently he heard that Murrell had traveled all over the country with this man. In conclusion Mr. Bartholomew stated that Murrell calls at the Hotel Statler at various intervals when he is in Buffalo, New York, to see if there is any mail for him.

Mr. Zuger, Credit Manager, Hotel Statler, was interviewed, and after searching his records he advised that he was unable to find any registration for the man from Detroit for whom Murrell is said to have worked as chauffeur, stating that these records are kept for a period of only six months. However, general inquiry at the said hotel developed that this man's name was Graham, but no one could recall his first name. He was described by Mr. Zuger as follows:

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| Name: | Graham (first name unknown) |
| Age: | 50 years |
| Height: | 5' 8" |
| Weight: | 145 lbs. |
| Build: | Medium |
| Hair: | Light brown - turning grey |
| Eyes: | Unknown |
| Marital Status: | Married - wife about 70 years old |
| Dress: | Very neat - wears spats and well-tailored clothes |
| Peculiarities: | Always had in his company a black and white spaniel |
| Address: | Detroit, Michigan |

At 26 Whitney Place, Buffalo, New York, Mrs. Marcella E. Haynes, landlady, was interviewed, and she stated that she has resided at that address for the past fourteen years; that she operates a rooming house and no one by the name of Albert J. Murrell has ever roomed there. She stated, however, that about five years ago she had been away for a period of seven months and it is possible that Murrell resided there during her absence. No one at this address was acquainted with Murrell.

At the Identification Unit of the Buffalo Police Department, Captain Rickard reviewed his records and it was ascertained that there is no police record in Buffalo for Albert J. Murrell.

At the Sheriff's office, Erie County, it was ascertained that there was no police record for this individual.

The above information was transmitted to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Florida by telegram on March 5, 1935.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-6-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/28 & 3/1/35 | REPORT MADE BY: W. P. KILWOOD dr. |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. Bernice Croft, Route #3, Alden, Iowa has not had any communications with Volney Davis under the alias of George Lawrence Harper.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter of E. J. Connelley, SAC special assignment, Chicago, dated February 14, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. Bernice Croft, Route #3, Alden, Iowa, advised Agent that she had had no correspondence with any person by the name of George Lawrence Harper through the medium of the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club. Mrs. Croft will immediately notify the Omaha office if she should receive any letter signed by a person giving his name as George Lawrence Harper.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">At Renwick, Iowa it was found that Miss Opal Marie Watkins is now in the employ of A. J. Jensen Company at Westband, Iowa.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">At Deloit, Iowa, Miss Margaret H. Anderson was found to be presently in the employ of Charles Stang at Denison, Iowa.</p> <p>UNDEVELOPED LEADS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">THE OMAHA BUREAU OFFICE at Westband, Iowa will interview Miss Opal Watkins, care of the A. J. Jensen Company to ascertain if she has received any correspondence from George Lawrence Harper as set out in the letter of reference.</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. H. Harni</i> | | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | |
| COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3 - Bureau 2 - St. Paul 2 - E. J. Connelley, Chicago 2 - Omaha | | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> 7-576-4913 MAR 8-1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAT. SEC. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FILE </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 8 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 9 1935 JACKETED: </div> </div> | |

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The Omaha Office will also make a similar investigation
at Denison, Iowa where Miss Margaret E. Anderson, care of Charles Stang should
be similarly interviewed.

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Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG, I.O. 1218;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOS. J. MORAN with aliases I.O. 1232; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Attached to each copy of this letter there will be found
one copy of the photograph of each of the following individuals:

Russell "Spike" Lane with aliases;
Otto Jackson, Kansas City, Missouri P.D. #22596;
Everett Leroy Pendleton, Kansas City, Missouri
P. D. #21005.

It will be recalled that Lane is presently in custody at
Kansas City, Missouri under a charge of harboring Volney Davis.
Lane previously resided at an apartment located at 4915 Troost
Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, where Jess Doyle and Edna Murray
stated that Davis had a friend known to them only as Leo.

With reference to Otto Jackson, it is noted that this in-
dividual has been identified as one of the participants in the
robbery of the First National Bank of Neosho, Missouri on March 2,
1935. Photograph of Volney Davis has also been identified as
possibly participating in this same robbery. It is further noted
that Jackson has been definitely identified as having resided with
Lane in the apartment at 4915 Troost.

Pendleton is reported by local officers at Kansas City to
be a close friend and associate of Jackson. No identification of
him as being either in the robbery at Neosho or at 4915 Troost has
been made.

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It is requested that these photographs be exhibited to
Jess Doyle and Edna Murray in an effort to obtain information as to
whether either of these persons is the individual known as Leo.

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Russell "Spike" Lane

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It is believed that probably all of these persons are known to Doyle and Lurray and that possibly some information of value may be obtained from them.

In view of the similarity in modus operandi of the robbery at Neosho with two bank robberies occurring at Okemah, Oklahoma in December 1934, it is being suggested that these photographs be exhibited to witnesses in the Oklahoma City territory for possible identification there.

It is requested that this office be immediately advised of any information obtained from the use of these photographs.

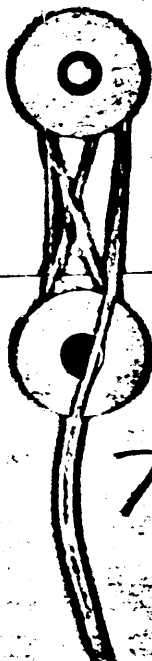
Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Bureau
cc - Mr. Connelly, Chicago
cc - Oklahoma City

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Name - Otto Jackson
P.D. K.C.Mo. #22596
CRIME - Auto Theft
AGE - 25
Height - 5'11 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
Weight - 166 lbs.
Build - Medium
Hair - Blond
Eyes - Blue
Complexion - Light
Occupation - Salesman
Born - St. Louis, Mo.
Date arrested - 11-15-34
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Name - Everett Leroy Pendleton
K.C.Mo. P.D. #21005
Crime - Bank Robbery (Harris, Ks.)
Age - 30
Height - 5'9"
Weight - 190
Build - Stout
Hair - Very dark chestnut
Eyes - Brown
Complexion - Dark
Occupation - Metal polisher
Born - K.C.Mo.
Date arrested - 1-28-33
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Russell 'Spoke' Lane
also Vernon Jones
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Hair: Dark Chestnut
Eyes: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Build: Stout

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in shop Dec. 1
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separated - one
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Post Office Box 1887
Charlotte, North Carolina

March 7, 1935

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Director,
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U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. #1237;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. #1232;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. #1240;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I. O. #1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. #1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. #1241 - et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, February 20, 1935 in the above entitled matter.

Your attention is respectfully invited to the statement of Dr. John E. Hall, Miami, Florida, appearing on page 32 of this report, wherein it is stated that Alvin Karpis is suffering from a gonorrheal infection and that he was being treated by Dr. Hall for chronic urethritis, his condition necessitating daily treatments.

It has occurred to me that wherever Karpis is, it will be necessary for him to receive treatment for his condition and in receiving this treatment, he will contact a specialist, if possible, rather than submit to treatment by a general practitioner.

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Practically all specialists in this line of work are members of some professional society, a complete list of which appears in the 1934 American Medical Directory.

Dr. A. J. Crowell, Professional Building, Charlotte, North Carolina, who is a nationally recognized authority in genito-urinary medicine, has been interviewed by Special Agent W. E. Peters, relative to these societies. He advised that the American Dermatological Association, Dr. W. H. Guy, Secretary, 500 Pennsylvania Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and the American Urological Association, Dr. James B. Cross, Treasurer, 170 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York, are the principal societies and that physicians specializing in this branch of medicine are almost invariably members of one or the other of these societies. He stated that the other listed societies are more or less honorary groups to which membership is attained only by invitation.

He advised further that Dr. Guy and Dr. Cross would be able to supply complete, up-to-date lists of the members of their societies.

It is respectfully suggested that the Bureau consider the advisability of securing membership lists of these societies and supplying each field office with copies of same. The field office should then be instructed to contact all members of these associations located within the district covered by that particular field office immediately, leave with the physician a copy of the identification order issued for Karpis, acquaint the physician with the reason for the inquiry, and assist his cooperation in bringing about Karpis's location.

In the event the Bureau is of the opinion that the number of members in these associations would prevent personal contact with the entire membership, it is suggested that the Bureau consider the advisability of distributing identification orders by mail throughout the membership list. In this connection, the suggestion is offered that the identification order be accompanied by a letter relative to the reason for the circularization. It is

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felt that in this way more effective results may be accomplished than by merely distributing the order unaccompanied.

I am of the opinion that the adoption of this suggestion would assist in more speedily bringing about the apprehension of Karpis.

Very truly yours,

T. N. Stapleton

T. N. Stapleton,
Special Agent in Charge

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c/c to Mr. E. J. Connelley

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March 15, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Charlotte, North Carolina.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. No. 1218; et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 7, 1935 containing the suggestion of Special Agent W. E. Peters that the Bureau consider the advisability of circularizing members of the American Dermatological Association with a view to effecting the apprehension of subject Alvin Karpis. It is noted that according to a statement of Dr. John E. Hall, Miami, Florida, Karpis is suffering from a gonorrhea infection and that his condition would require daily treatment.

The Bureau has given consideration to the suggestion of Special Agent Peters but deems it inadvisable to circularize the American Dermatological Association in this instance inasmuch as it is believed that subject Karpis will not contact a reputable physician, who in turn, would report the matter to the Bureau.

I desire that you convey to Mr. Peters an expression of the Bureau's appreciation for the interest he has taken in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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BREKID REQUEST AUTHORITY PAY INFORMANT [REDACTED] SUM NOT TO EXCEED
 \$10 PER DAY FOR 10 DAYS FOR EXPENSES INCURRED BY HIM FOR RENTING
 AUTOMOBILE PURPOSE CONTACTING UNDERWORLD CHARACTERS IN CHICAGO
 SUBURBS. [REDACTED] INSTRUCTED NOT TO MENTION BUREAU WHEN RENTING CARS
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March 7, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Press dispatches dated March 1, 1935, report the return of an indictment by the Federal Grand Jury at Chicago, Illinois, charging 40 persons in connection with the \$237,000 robbery of a bank messenger in the Chicago Loop district, December 6, 1932. Included among the defendants is John J. McLaughlin, Sr., who is also named as a defendant in the Bremer kidnaping case.

You are instructed to furnish the Bureau with a complete list of the defendants named in the indictment returned at Chicago, Illinois, together with any identifying data which will assist in locating the records of these individuals in the files of the Identification Unit of the Bureau.

This matter should receive your prompt attention.

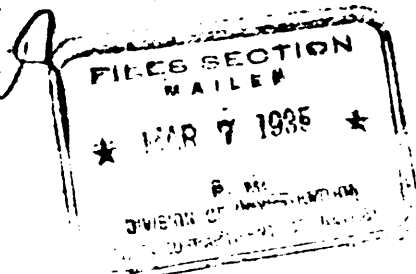
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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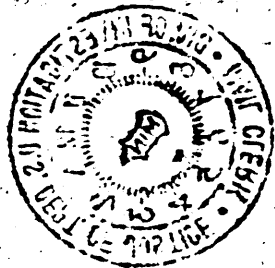
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CHICAGO - FEDERAL GRAND JURY TODAY INDICTED 40 PERSONS ON CHARGES
OF CONSPIRACY IN CONNECTION WITH THE \$237,000 ROBBERY OF A BANK MESSENGER
IN THE CHICAGO LOOP ON DEC. 6, 1932.
MOST OF THOSE NAMED IN THE INDICTMENTS ARE FROM ST. PAUL, CHICAGO,
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ADD INDICTMENTS, CHICAGO
NAMED AS ONE OF THE ALLEGED RINGLEADERS OF THE PLOT WAS JOHN J.
(BOSS) MCLAUGHLIN, CHICAGO POLITICIAN UNDER INDICTMENT IN ST. PAUL ON
CHARGES OF HANDLING PART OF THE RANSOM MONEY IN THE \$200,000 EDWARD
G. BREMER KIDNAPING.

FEDERAL POST OFFICE INSPECTORS SAID THAT MOST OF THE LOOT, PART
OF WHICH CONSISTED OF LIBERTY BONDS, HAS BEEN RECOVERED. THE ROBBERS,
IT WAS CLAIMED, USED AIRPLANES IN THEIR ATTEMPTS TO DISPOSE OF THE
LOOT IN SEVERAL CITIES.

THE \$237,000 WAS SNATCHED FROM A MESSENGER EN ROUTE TO THE FIRST
NATIONAL BANK.

THE INDICTMENTS CONTAINED 81 OVERT ACTS ALLEGING ATTEMPTS TO
DISPOSE OF THE STOLEN BONDS IN ST. LOUIS, NEW YORK, SPRINGFIELD,
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO ILLINOIS, MR. E. J. CONNELLEY
BRIEFED AUTHORITY GRANTED PAY SUMS TO FOLLOWING PERSONS [REDACTED] FIVE
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT
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MARCH 1, 1935.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

March 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN
with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY
CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.
1237; WILLIAM TRAVER with aliases,
I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON
with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY
SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a report of Special Agent
D.L. Nicholson dated St. Paul, Minnesota July 16, 1934, wherein
it is stated that an interview was had with Pat Reilly. From
this report, it is noted that Reilly states he has known
Sawyer a number of years. It is also noted that he names the
following as the most intimate associates of Harry Sawyer:

Vala Vala White, whose real name is White
A party by the name of Mike

It is respectfully requested that Reilly be interviewed
at the United States South Western Reformatory at El Reno, Oklahoma
in the immediate future, and that he be interrogated concerning
other possible contacts of Sawyer as well as places which might
lead to the apprehension of this subject. It is also suggested
that if it is deemed advisable a nominal sum may be offered
Reilly for information which he might furnish tending toward the
apprehension of Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

E.J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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MR. E.J. CONNELLEY C/O
TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO OFFICE

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*Ed. J. Connelley
Confidential Informant*

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-15**

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| REPORT MADE AT NEW ORLEANS | DATE WHEN MADE 3-6-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/26, 27, 28/35 | REPORT MADE BY C. H. OLSON |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236 VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232 ET AL.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Telephonic information received from Chicago Bureau Office that Joseph P. Moran, I. O. #1232 was living in Biloxi, Miss. Investigation conducted at Biloxi, Miss., failed to disclose his whereabouts or any information that he had ever been there. | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>This investigation is predicated on telephonic information received from Special Agent R. D. Brown, Chicago Bureau Office, January 26, 1935, that an informant had advised the Chicago Bureau Office that Dr. Joseph P. Moran, I. O. #1232, subject in this case, had been living at Biloxi, Miss. for the past thirty days.</p> <p>The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M. W. Meekins, A. Rosen and the writer of the New Orleans Bureau Office, at Biloxi, Miss. and is to be considered as a joint report.</p> <p>The investigation was conducted in a very discreet and careful manner, avoiding as much as possible of contacting anyone that might carry information to the subject. In most cases only the photograph of subject Joseph P. Moran, as he appears on the group picture was used. Around the golf courses the photograph of William J. Harrison, I. O. #1239, also a subject in this case, and a golf professional was shown with negative results.</p> <p align="center">DRUG STORES</p> <p align="center">Kimbrough & Quint Drug Store, Mr. G. C. Quint advised that the</p> | | | |
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photograph of Moran resembled a man he had seen talking to his partner Mr. Kimbrough. Mr. Kimbrough advised that it was not the same man and that he had not seen anyone resembling Moran in or around Biloxi.

Grant's Drug Store, W. J. Grant, Prop., C. W. Brumfield, Druggist.
Sue's Pharmacy, Sue Hawkins, Prop.
Jules Ad'Aquin, Prop, Avenue Pharmacy.
Eddie's Drug Store, J. C. Clower, Prop.

All advised that they had not seen anyone answering the description of subject Moran.

CARAGES AND SERVICE STATIONS

Investigation at the following garages and service stations produced negative results:

C. C. Lawson, Manager, Lawson Auto Service.
C. C. Wentzell, Manager, Biloxi Transfer Co.
A. P. Torricelli, Manager, Square Deal Garage.
Jack Hudson, Manager Standard Oil Service Station, 207 E. Howard Ave.
R. Koberman, Attendant, Shell Station 206 E. Howard Ave.

A number of others were also contacted with negative results.

HOTELS AND APARTMENT HOUSES.

Investigation at the following hotels and apartment houses produced negative results:

Hotel Edgewater Golf, D.O. Cornwell, Mgr., Tom Morriott, Ass't Mgr.,
Riveria Hotel, Ed Doyle, Ass't Mgr.,
Beach Apartments, Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Wachenfield, Owners.
Tivoli Hotel, J. L. Betancourt, Ass't Mgr.
Buena Vista Hotel, R.C. Funke, Ass't Manager, Miss M. Eley, Desk Clerk.
New Biloxi Hotel, George D. Stannus, Mgr. and all clerks, night & day.
Avelez Hotel, H. T. Reeves, Mgr.
White House Hotel, John White, Manager, Miss Kate Peppard, Chief Clerk.
Palmer House, Mrs. E. K. Palmer, Mgr.
Foster House, Miss Rowena Sims, Ass't Mgr.
Kennedy Hotel, J. Quigley, Desk Clerk and ticket agent Greyhound Bus Lines.

GOLF COURSES

Investigation at the following golf courses produced negative results:

County Club, H. M. Blomberg, Ass't Mgr.
Golf Hills Club, Mat Matterson, Mgr.
Edgewater Golf Course, A.T. Saunders, Mgr.
S.C. Palmer, Ass't Mgr.
Great Southern Golf Club, L.T. Pecoul, Club Manager, J. C. Wilson, Owner and Professional.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Investigation at the following telegraph and telephone companies produced negative results:

Postal Telegraph, Mrs. M. H. Parker, Manager and several messengers.
Western Union Telegraph, E. Tonnelier, Manager and several messengers,
also two clerks at the desk.
Telephone Company, J. E. Breaux, Manager.

GAS AND LIGHT COMPANIES

Investigation at the following Gas and light companies produced negative results:

Mississippi Power Company, Wallace Chapman, Manager and two desk clerks.
South Western Gas & Electric Co., F. E. Bowes, Manager and all office help.

DOCTORS:

The following doctors were interviewed:

Dr. B. Z. Welsh, Medical official in charge of the local hospital and head of the staff and personally acquainted with all doctors around Biloxi, Miss., advised that he had not seen anyone resembling subject Moran but that he would make a discreet inquiry among the other doctors and if any information was obtained he would call this office. An Identification Order was left with this doctor for his use.

Dr. A. Ferrer, D. C., advised that he had not seen anyone resembling subject Mrs. A. Ferrer advised that a man had come to the door of her home, begging and had stated to her that he was a former doctor; that this man was shabby dressed and resembled subject Moran, somewhat. Agents were unable to locate any further information in regard to the beggar.

NIGHT CLUB:

Agents visited the Club Royale, a night club in Biloxi, Miss., spending about six hours there and were unable to gain any information that the subject Moran had ever been there or seen there.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Alonso Gabrich, Chief of Police, Biloxi, Miss., a very fine type officer stated that he had not seen anyone resembling the subject Moran but in case anything was learned about subject or any one answering his description he would immediately notify this office.

AT PASCAGOULA, MISS.

Sheriff Grebs at Pascagoula, Miss., informed agents that he had heard of a Dr. McGill, who had been living in Ocean Springs, Miss., and had left that town under suspicious circumstances.

AT OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS.

H. D. Van Cleve, Bookkeeper, Dale's Garage, Ocean Springs, Miss., advised that on February 14, 1935 a man by the name of McGill, who he understood to be a doctor had presented a check to him, amount of check \$154.00; that this man answered the description of subject Moran; that the said McGill had left Ocean Springs, Miss. the following day leaving behind some personal belongings and some furniture in a house he was renting from Geo. E. Arndt, Sr., a real estate dealer.

Geo. E. Arndt, Sr., Ocean Springs, advised that he had rented a house to a Chas. A. McGill, his wife and their children on February 5, 1935; that they had left the house on February 15, 1935 in a great hurry and had not returned; that they had left behind some furniture and some personal effects. Photograph of subject Moran was shown to Arndt and his son Geo. E. Arndt, Jr. who both stated that they did not think they were the same man. With the permission of Arndt, Sr. agents accompanied by Arndt, Jr. went to the house and an inspection was made. A photograph was obtained of McGill and it was easy to determine that he was not the same as subject Moran.

P E N D I N G

March 7, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 629,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the latent fingerprint examinations being conducted in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. #1218, Fugitive, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

You are advised that the fingerprints of Harold V. Alderton, our file #378061, and James J. Wilson, our file #333973, have been compared with the latent fingerprints previously developed in this case, but in no instance has an identification been effected.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Reference is made to my memorandum of January 17, 1935, concerning the Russell Gibson guns.

With regard to the Thompson Sub-Machine gun it has not been possible to restore the numbers in the Laboratory. These numbers were removed by drilling into the metal with a rotary drill and obliteration has been so deep that it balks our efforts to restore. This gun is being turned over to Mr. Baughman for his examination. Test shots have been taken from this gun, specimens having been forwarded to Chicago for the Cooke County authorities and specimens are being retained in the Laboratory for further examination.

Browning 30 caliber Automatic rifle with number obliterated by chiseling and filing has been identified by reason of restoration as a Winchester model, serial number 211774. Test shots have been taken and furnished the Cooke County authorities and retained in the Laboratory. This gun is being turned over to Mr. Baughman for safe keeping in the gun room.

Browning Automatic 30 caliber rifle has resisted attempts to restore serial number which was obliterated by filing and chiseling the metal. During attempts to restore these serial numbers the name of the manufacturer was brought back sufficiently to indicate it was made by Winchester. The gun is being turned over to Mr. Baughman with a view to further examination by him after discussing this type of gun with experts of the War Department.

One Browning 30 caliber Automatic rifle upon which no brand whatsoever appears visible. This is an unusual thing, the surface above the chamber where the brand usually appears is entirely blank and yet gives no evidence whatsoever of having been tampered with in any way. The natural assumption would be that the gun had been stolen at the factory after completion but before branding. Of course, the remote possibility exists that the brand was removed and the surface re-blued. The gun is being turned over to Mr. Baughman in order that he may discuss this factor with experts of the War Department. If it is their opinion that the gun was branded and the brand removed, further effort can be made in the Laboratory to restore by acids in the event no secret number appears on this type of gun.

A report on the above will be sent to Chicago.

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Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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March 7, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE IDENTIFICATION UNIT,
UNIT FIVE.

With reference to Bureau wanted notice on
RUSSELL MUSTON with aliases, Fugitive Index No. 5983,
Bureau file No. 62-28915, please be advised that the
knowledge of the whereabouts of this person is no
longer desired by the Bureau supervisor who requested
this wanted notice placed in your files.

It is, therefore, requested that this wanted
notice be cancelled.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Washington, D. C.

March 6, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM. *W*

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In confirmation of telephonic advice furnished Mr. Richmond, on March 4, 1935, concerning the case of Russell Huston, Fugitive Index #5983, Bureau file #62-28915, please be advised that on March 4, 1935, a fingerprint card was received in the Identification Unit from the Police Department, Saint Paul, Minnesota, reflecting that this individual as Russell Flee Huston, #21504, was arrested [REDACTED] *b7c*

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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Post Office Box 4907,
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February 19, 1935

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
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Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases--I. O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases--I. O. #1237;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim;
KIDNAPING

In response to an inquiry from this office, the
Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Connecticut,
advised that 45/s Automatic Pistol #C112311 was shipped to Messrs.
Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Company, Chicago, Illinois, April 10,
1919. This pistol was found in possession of Duke Randall at
Miami, Florida, and Randall claimed it belonged to the Rolfe Armored
Service Company, Miami, which was later confirmed by Mr. Merle Rolfe
of this company.

This information is forwarded to you in order that
this pistol may be traced.

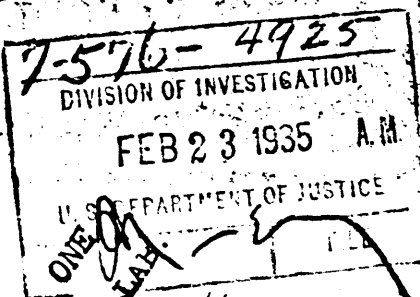
Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

cc Bureau
St. Paul
Jax #7-24

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

March 7, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,
DR. JOSEPH MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232,
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236,
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1227,
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238,
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239,
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240,
MYRTLE KATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent B. S.
Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, dated March 5, 1935, in connection
with the above entitled case.

It will be noted on Page 4 of this report that May Green,
former paramour of Subject Alvin Karpis, advised that she recalled
a conversation with Charles J. Fitzgerald, alias "Big Fitz", concern-
ing the Mayo Brothers Clinic which he highly recommended, apparently
having been a patient there himself. In this same connection your
attention is invited to a letter from this Office to the San Fran-
cisco Office dated February 8, 1935 in which it is stated that the
employees of the Eleanor Manor apartments, 7150 Cyril Parkway, Chicago,
Illinois, where Fitzgerald and his wife, Bella, lived from August 1933
to March 1934, advised that Charles J. Fitzgerald often made mention
of the fact that he was a patient at the Mayo Brothers Clinic at
Rochester, Minnesota.

Inasmuch as the Bureau is extremely desirous of locating
Charles J. Fitzgerald, who is an important contact for the Barker-
Karpis gang, it is respectfully requested that your Office conduct
appropriate inquiry at the above institution in an effort to ascer-
tain whether Fitzgerald is a patient there at the present time.

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In the event he is not there it is suggested that you develop a contact at this place with the view that the St. Paul Office be immediately notified should Fitzgerald appear at the Clinic in the future.

For your information, Charles J. Fitzgerald resided at the home of Elwood Yonkers, alias G. E. Woods, Toledo, Ohio, continuously from October 1934 to January 16, 1935, at which time he left rather hurriedly. Fitzgerald has used the alias of D. J. Murphy for the past two years and it is very likely that he still employs that name. At present he is reported to be driving a 1934 model Buick Club Sedan, motor #2875177, serial #2715681, bearing 1935 Ohio license tags G-3871.

Please give this matter your immediate attention and it is suggested that you advise me promptly should it develop that Fitzgerald is a patient at the Mayo Brothers Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge
Special Assignment

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cc Bureau
San Francisco
St. Louis
Detroit

Chicago File 7-82

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 7, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St.N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
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HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim-KIDNAPING.

In letter of February 19, 1935, and subsequent letter of February 23, 1935, copies of which were furnished to all field offices, the letter first above referred to requested that each office place a stop order against the possible subsequent registration of the automobile which CHARLES FITZGERALD is now supposed to be using, Fitzgerald having registered 1934 Buick Club Sedan, motor number 2,875, 177, serial number 2, 716, 681 in the State of Ohio, under the name of C. J. MURPHY, for 1935 Ohio license plates 3871-G, at which time he indicated his address as 2110 Washington Street, Toledo, Ohio.

In teletype message to the Chicago office, and as is indicated in communications received here from other offices, it is noted that the Bureau directed that requests for the wanted notice or stop order against this automobile are to be disregarded.

It is believed that if CHARLES FITZGERALD should be located at any time he should not be taken into custody until every effort has been exhausted to determine if he is now contacting the other subjects in this case, or is located at a point where other subjects may be hiding out at the present time.

In view of the instructions to disregard the stop order as above referred to, please advise what if any particular significance these instructions have, that is, as to whether or not either Fitzgerald or the automobile have been located.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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March 15, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 828,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1216, ET AL. - Edward George
Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 7, 1935, wherein you call attention to the instruction of the Bureau to disregard the request contained in your letter dated February 19, 1935, copy of which letter was furnished to all field offices requesting that a stop order be placed with the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau against the 1934 Buick Club Sedan presently registered in the state of Ohio, by Charles Fitzgerald, under the alias of C. J. Murphy, for which 1935 Ohio license plates #3971-G have been issued.

The Bureau can see no purpose in the placing of these stop notices inasmuch as investigation conducted subsequent to your letter of February 19, 1935, disclosed the number of the license plates for the car issued during the current year 1935, and a review of the file discloses that Fitzgerald has been using the alias of C. J. Murphy during the past two years and in no instance has resorted to the frequent changing of license plates. However, if you believe that the car has been sold or traded by Fitzgerald, the Bureau is of the opinion that appropriate stop notices should be placed with all Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus as originally requested in your letter of February 19, 1935 and reiterated in your letter of February 23, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul

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Laboratory Report

March 8, 1935.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. #1218;
Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I. O. #1232.
Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-4876.

Specimens: A. Original letter beginning, "Manager Beaumont Apts Dear Mrs. Will
you please go into my Apt No 209 and have your porter to pack****".
and signed "G. L. Harper".
B. Envelope addressed to "Manager Beaumont Apt's", postmarked
Saint George, Utah, Feb 29, 1935, 9 AM.

Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: March 6, 1935.

Examination requested: Handwriting and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

The handwriting on the questioned letter is identical with that of Volney
Davis. The physical characteristics of the stationery have been recorded for
any comparison which may be desired in the future.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

Photographic copies of the evidence submitted will be forwarded to your
office within the next several days.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE
LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR
OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS
WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE BUREAU SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE TIME TO PERMIT
TRANSMITTAL.

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March 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. #1212;
Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I. O. #1232.
Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division March 6, 1935.

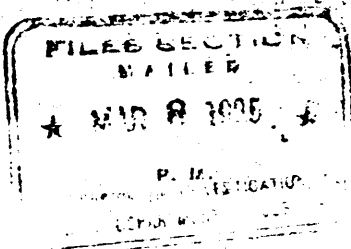
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY.

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March 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

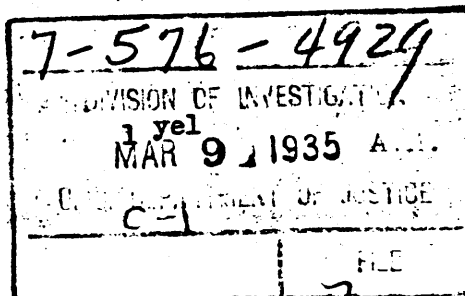
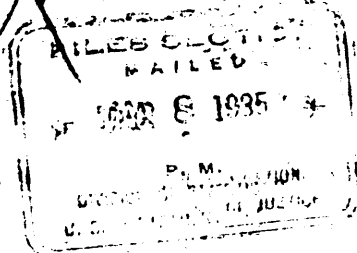
Dear Sir:

Kindly advise the Bureau what investigation has been conducted in your district pursuant to the instructions contained in Bureau letter dated February 6, 1935, with respect to the location and apprehension of Subjects Harry Sawyer and Myrtle Eaton.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul



In reply address not the signer of
this letter, but Bureau of Navigation,
Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
Refer to No. Nav-651-ELH
MM171-27-28

NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.
27 February 1935

Gentlemen:

Receipt of the attached Identification Order No. 1239 of
12 February 1935, regarding one William J. Harrison, alias
Willie Harrison, and other aliases, is acknowledged.

The fingerprints on the attached card are found to be
identical with those of one William James Harrison, Jr.,
Ex-Seaman second class, U. S. Navy, who enlisted on 1 August
1918 at St. Louis, Missouri, for duration of the war, and
who did serve until 26 March 1919, when he was given an ordi-
nary discharge under honorable conditions.

At the time of enlistment, Harrison gave as the place and
date of his birth, St. Louis, Missouri, 27 September 1899,
and his home, 4460 Arco Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri. He named
as his next of kin, May Harrison, mother, of the same address.

This Bureau has no information which would tend to show
the present whereabouts of this man.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM D. LEAHY,
Chief of Bureau.

J. F. Donelson

J. F. DONELSON,
By direction.

Incl. No. 39370

*Letter to St. Paul
cc - St. Louis
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Mr. Connelley
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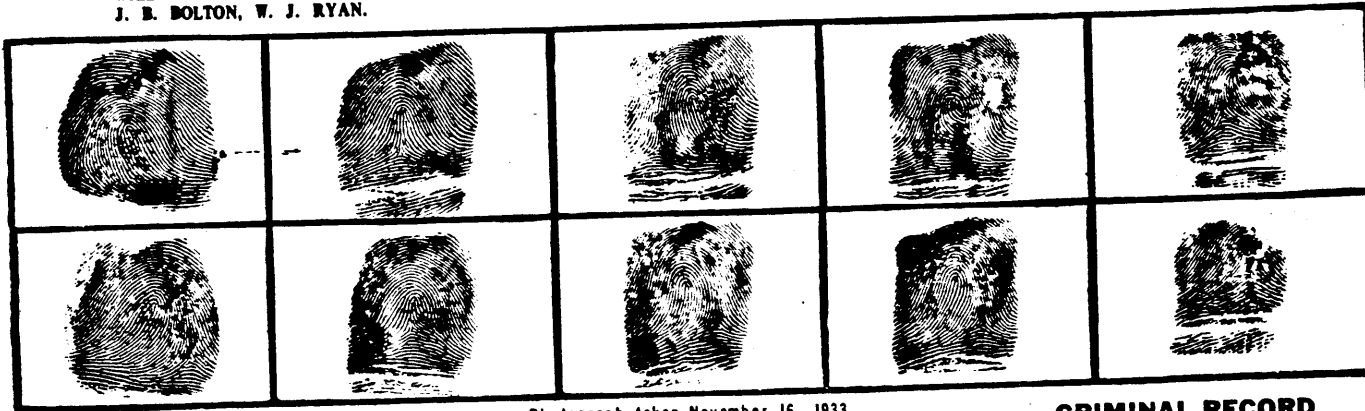
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WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases:
WILLIE HARRISON, W. J. HARRISON,
J. B. BOLTON, W. J. RYAN.

KIDNAPING



Photograph taken November 16, 1933.

DESCRIPTION

Age, 34 years (born St. Louis, Mo., September 27, 1900); Height, 5 feet, 6 inches; Weight, 155 pounds; Build, medium; Hair, light brown; Eyes, blue; Complexion, ruddy; Occupation, golf professional.

RELATIVES:

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harrison, Sr., parents,
4539 Gibson Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.
Walter Harrison and Elmer Harrison, brothers,
4539 Gibson Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.
Donald Harrison, brother,
1115 Lawn Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.
Ben Harrison, brother,
6164 Crescent Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.



William J. Harrison

CRIMINAL RECORD

As William Harrison, #15232, arrested Police Department, Calumet City, Ill., April 14, 1933; charge, carrying concealed weapons; dismissed April 14, 1933.
As William J. Harrison, #1829, arrested Police Department, Hammond, Ind., Nov. 14, 1933; charge, assault and battery with intent to rape; released to State Bureau of Identification, Crown Point, Indiana.
As William J. Harrison, #14225, received State Bureau of Identification, Crown Point, Ind., Nov. 16, 1933; charge, assault and battery with intent to rape; released on \$5000 bond; dismissed Sept. 25, 1934.

William J. Harrison is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. An indictment was returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, January 22, 1935 charging William J. Harrison and others with the kidnaping.

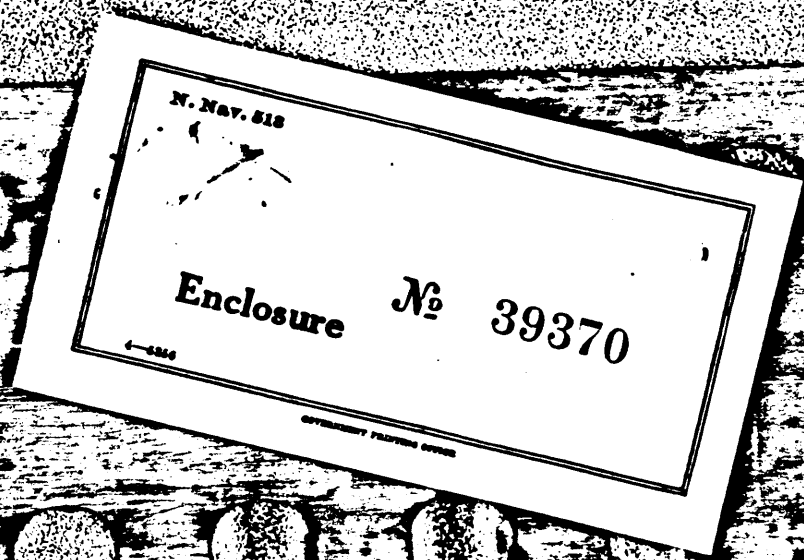
Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to the nearest office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, listed on the back hereof which is nearest your city.

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Issued by: JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR

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March 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases,
Fugitive - I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward G. Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

There is transmitted herewith and to each of the
offices indicated below copy of a letter addressed to the
Bureau by William D. Leahy of the Navy Department under date
of February 27, 1935, setting forth the enlistment record of
William J. Harrison, with aliases, subject of Identification
Order No. 1279.

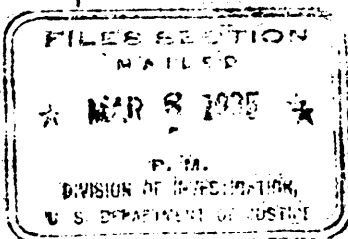
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #918948.

cc-St. Louis
Washington Field
Mr. Connelley at Chicago.

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IDENTIFICATION UNIT

2-12 1935.

To: _____ Director
_____ Mr. Nathan
_____ Mr. Tolson
_____ Mr. Clegg
_____ Miss Gandy
X _____ Chief, Unit 1
_____ Chief Clerk
_____ Printing Section
_____ Files
X _____ Mr. *Newby*

*Suggest
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L. C. Schilder.

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March 15, 1935.

Mr. William D. Leahy,
Chief,
Bureau of Navigation,
Navy Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your letter dated February 27, 1935, (your file No. Nav-651-ILM #171-27-28), with which you enclose Identification Order No. 1239 issued by this Bureau on William J. Harrison with aliases. This Bureau appreciates the information which you furnished concerning this individual's Navy record and there is returned herewith copy of an Identification Order to be retained in your files so that in the event information is received concerning his whereabouts, this Bureau will be promptly notified.

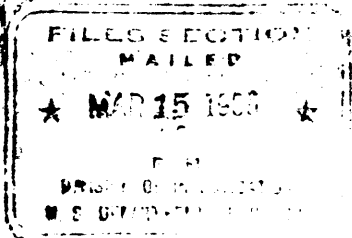
Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 5, 1935

Time - 3:06 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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| Mr. Tolson | |
| Mr. Backus | |
| Mr. Baughman | |
| Chief Clerk | |
| Mr. Clegg | |
| Mr. Coffey | |
| Mr. Edwards | |
| Mr. Egan | |
| Mr. Harbo | |
| Mr. Keith | |
| Mr. Lester | |
| Mr. Quinn | |
| Mr. Schilder | |
| Mr. Smith | |
| Mr. Tamm | ✓ |
| Mr. Tracy | |
| Miss Gandy | |

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Connelley, he stated that he was trying to get a set-up on the place of Cernocky in Chicago; that the neighborhood is rather sparsely settled, and a stranger cannot very well enter the place without being noticed. He stated, however, that he is trying to line up a girl who used to work in there to see if she would try to get back to work there; that, while this will cost the Bureau about \$10.00 a week, he believed it would be worth it. He stated that Louie Cernocky, Jr., is running the place at the present time.

He stated that under the present circumstances, it is very hard to get any definite information, but he believes that with this girl in there, the chances will be much better.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 4, 1935

Time - 3:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case;
Volney Davis.

Mr. Backus.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Smith.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Nathan telephoned from the Kansas City Office and informed that he had just gotten a letter which was received and turned over to him by the manager of the apartment house where Volney Davis lived in Kansas City; that this letter is undoubtedly from Volney Davis and was mailed at St. George, Utah, postmarked February 29, 1935. It is an air mail letter and gives instructions to her to have his clothes packed up until such time as he can come or send for them, stating that he might send his father or sister for them. Mr. Nathan stated that undoubtedly Davis does not know that we have spotted this apartment house. He further informed that the letter is dated February 17, 1935, and the envelope does not seem to have been enclosed in another envelope, but Davis might have transmitted it to someone to be mailed at St. George. Mr. Nathan stated that St. George, Utah is in the general vicinity of Las Vegas, Nevada, where some construction work on a dam going on.

Mr. Nathan further advised that he has telephoned the Salt Lake City Office in this regard and suggested investigation at Las Vegas as well as St. George. I told him that arrangements should be made with the manager of the apartment house so that if anyone comes for the clothes of Davis, the Kansas City Office will be immediately notified. He stated that plans are going forward at the present time for appropriate arrangements, and he plans to contact the manager of the apartment house by telephone every day in order to ascertain that she is on the alert and whether she has been contacted in regard to the present matter.

I instructed Mr. Nathan to keep the Bureau fully advised of any developments, and further to contact Mr. Connelley at Chicago and inform him of the situation in order that Mr. Connelley might be advised, since possibly a known informant of Mr. Connelley's may have gone to Utah and would there be in a position to furnish some information.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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March 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1234
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BRIGER, Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting a copy of a memorandum in report form submitted by Special Agent M. Chaffetz in which mention is made of one Robert H. Kerr, who is presently located at either Oklahoma City or Tulsa, Oklahoma. It is deemed possible that the name of this party may presently appear in your files in connection with the above case.

Kindly conduct the necessary investigation in order to determine whether this party has any connection in which the Bureau may be interested.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
(Special Assignment)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. Chaffetz on February 25, 1935.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 30, 1935 transmitting copy of a letter addressed to the Director by Cornelius Vanderbilt of New York City in which mention is made of a party named George Grant with offices at 23 South La Salle Street, this city, and furnishing information to the effect that this party may have some gangster connections in which the Bureau may have an interest.

Agent interviewed Mr. Edwin S. Ewing who is the Manager of the office building located at 23 South La Salle Street. Mr. Ewing stated that George Grant, who is in reality a Greek and whose correct name is not Grant, but whose correct name he did not know, has occupied an office in his building for several years. He also stated that despite the fact that Mr. Grant is supposedly in the real estate business, it is known to him that this party in reality has an interest in various dog racing tracks located throughout the country. Concerning Grant's past history, Mr. Ewing informed Agent that this party at one time was a very wealthy and well-known real estate man in the city of Chicago; that in recent years he has lost most of his money, and at the present time is having a difficult time making a livelihood. It is the belief of Mr. Ewing that Mr. Grant became connected with the dog racing business in order to obtain enough money on which to live. Agent discreetly questioned Mr. Ewing concerning Grant's possible gangster connections. Information furnished by Mr. Ewing was to the effect that it was his belief that George Grant did not have any definite gangster connections aside from his connection with the dog racing business. He went on to say that this party is connected with one Robert H. Kerr of either Tulsa or Oklahoma City, and that this latter party is presently located in Oklahoma for the purpose of attempting to influence legislature in the State of Oklahoma which would make it possible to legalize dog racing in that State. This is being done with the purpose in mind of having George Grant open up various dog tracks throughout the State as soon as it is legalized.

Mr. Ewing also stated that it is known to him that Grant is interested in a dog track now being operated in Jersey City and Tampa, Florida. However, on further questioning, Mr.

Being stated that all of this information has come to him purely through hearsay from third parties. Agent questioned Mr. Wing along certain lines which would elicit from him possible information which would indicate that George Grant may have been boasting concerning his gangster connections which would in turn lead to the information furnished us by Mr. Vanderbilt. Along those lines Mr. Wing stated that he recalled that approximately one year ago Grant had informed him that he was quite friendly with a member of the Vanderbilt family who is connected with the newspaper business. Also at about that time Grant had made the remark that some one had accused him of knowing Al Capone, which accusation he strongly denied. Mr. Wing went on to say that Mr. Grant is the braggart type of person who is finding it quite difficult to come down from the level of having been a wealthy man and because of this fact has probably on different occasions boasted of his connections. It was observed from the trend of his conversation with Mr. Wing that it appears that Mr. Grant may have been boasting to Mr. Vanderbilt to the effect that he knew Al Capone and John Dillinger. Description of George Grant as furnished by Mr. Wing is as follows:

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| Age: | 45 to 50 yrs. |
| Height: | 5' 6" |
| Weight: | 130 to 160 lbs. |
| Eyes: | Dark piercing |
| Complexion: | Dark |
| Dress: | Very neat |
| Regularities: | Carries cane |

No further investigation concerning this party is being conducted at the present time due to the indefiniteness of the information to the effect that this party may presently have connections in which the Bureau would have an interest. The name of this party, however, is being placed in the course of information file in the Chicago Bureau office for possible future use should his name arise in connection with other investigations. A copy of this report is being furnished the Oklahoma City Office in order that a further check may be made of Robert E. Kerr whose name is mentioned in this report on a theory that this party because of his being situated in Oklahoma may have possible connections with the Barker-Karpis gang, and also because of the fact that his name may appear in the Oklahoma City files.

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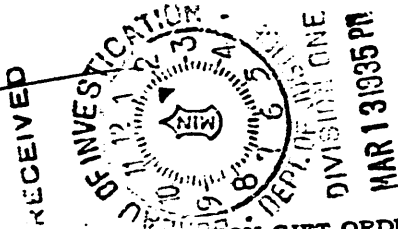
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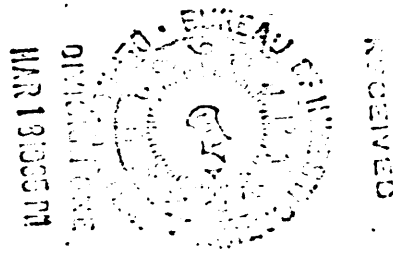
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.



In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby, I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of criminal record as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of Loskeo Johnson, alias Otto Jackson, our file #673410. I am also transmitting herewith two copies of abstracts of criminal records as appearing in the files of the Identification Division of one Jack Mitchell, Police Department, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan, #131; one Jack Mitchell, our file #535876; one Jack D. Carroll, alias Jack Mitchell, our file #104819; one John Mitchell, alias Jack Mitchell, our file #257814; and one J. S. Mitchell, alias Jack Mitchell, our file #101077, one of whom is possibly identical with the Jack Mitchell whose record Mr. Newby requested.

I have caused a search of the files of the Identification Division to be made for a possible record of an individual named Leo. Please be advised that a search of the files, on the basis of the information furnished, fails to disclose any record of this person.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

St. Paul, Minnesota.

FILE NO. 7-9

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| REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Indiana | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/8/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/20, 25/35 | REPORT MADE BY: H. G. Banister, GJO |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: K I D N I P |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: "Stop order" filed with Motor Vehicle Bureau, Indianapolis, on Buick sedan motor 2375177. Instant car has not been registered in Indiana. "Stop order" withdrawn 2/25/35. | | | |
| References: Letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill. 2/19/35; telegram from Bureau 2/25/35. | | | |
| Details: AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA Upon receipt of reference letter a 5" x 5" card was prepared showing motor and serial number of instant car requesting that the Indianapolis Bureau Office be notified in the event anyone applied for title or auto license on instant car. This card was given to MR. JOE BOYD, title clerk, Motor Vehicle Bureau. by Agent and Mr. Boyd searched his files and found instant car had not been registered in the State of Indiana at that time. Upon receipt of reference telegram Agent again contacted Mr. Joe Boyd and the "Stop Order" was removed from the files of the Motor Vehicle Bureau. PENDING | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. N. Remeeky</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-4935 MAR 11 1935 MAR 11 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: ONE R SECT 5 1/4 | |
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March 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
Identification Order 1218, et al,
EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim, KIDNAPING.

There is transmitted herewith a copy of Bureau letter of even date, addressed to Mr. Harold E. Stassen, County Attorney, Dakota County, South St. Paul, Minnesota, relative to Thompson submachine gun, U. S. Navy Model 1928, #7679, which is expressed herewith to your office.

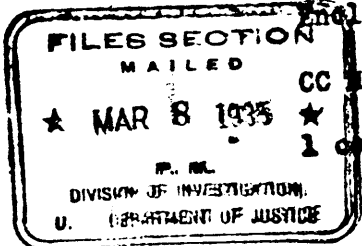
The enclosed copy should be delivered to the appropriate officials of the City of South St. Paul, Minnesota, with the Thompson submachine gun, #7679, and a receipt in duplicate obtained therefor, one copy being forwarded to the Bureau and the other being retained in your file.

Copies of Bureau letter to Mr. Stassen have today been forwarded to the St. Paul Office and to Mr. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

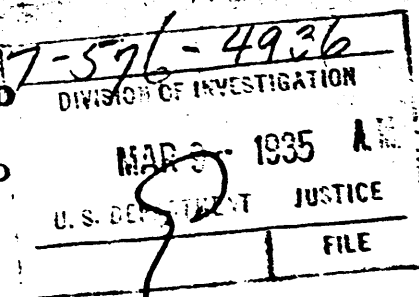
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CC Mr. Connelley at Chicago

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| REPORT MADE AT Pittsburgh, Pa. | DATE WHEN MADE 3-4-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/1 - 8/35 | REPORT MADE BY D. DiLillo |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O. 1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING. NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT. HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS | | <p>Mellon National Bank at Pittsburgh gives numbers, amounts, travelers checks stolen from Okemha National Bank, Okemha, Oklahoma, December 22, 1934. None of stolen checks cashed. Said bank does not know activities of Cassius M. McDonald, adding that cashier's checks of Mellon Bank found in his possession not genuine.</p> | |
| REFERENCE: | | <p>Report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., 2-21-35; report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Fla., 2-20-35.</p> | |
| DETAILS: | | <p>AT PITTSBURGH, PA.</p> <p>T. E. Matson of the Mellon National Bank, Travelers Checks Department, stated that checks numbered G-336580 and G-336597 reported to have been found at #23, Warner-Plaza Apartments in Kansas City, Mo., were two of a series stolen from the Okemha National Bank, Okemha, Oklahoma, December 22, 1934.</p> <p>T. E. Matson also stated that travelers checks numbered 618104, E-123795, E-258593, G-336581, G-336596, G-336565 and G-336564, found in the suitcase located in a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, the property of Jess Doyle, were also seven of the series stolen from the said Okemha National Bank.</p> | |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. Waters</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 7-576-4937 | | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 11 1935 |
| COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: Bureau 3 St. Paul 2 Kansas City 2 E.J. Connelley, Chi. 2 Jacksonville 4 Pittsburgh 2 (U.S. Atty. Miami, Fla. 1 - U.S. Atty. Jacksonville 1) | | UNITED STATES MAR 11 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: ONE SEC STAT FILE | |
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Mr. Matson stated that the aggregate value of the checks stolen from the said bank was \$1,590.00, divided as follows:

| Quantity | Denomination | Series | Total Value |
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| 42 | \$ 10.00 | G-336559 - G-336690 inclusive | \$ 420.00 |
| 8 | 20.00 | E-123793 - E-123800 | 160.00 |
| 13 | 20.00 | E-258588 - E-258600 | 260.00 |
| 5 | 30.00 | A-535386 - A-535390 | 150.00 |
| 5 | 100.00 | 612101 - 612105 | 500.00 |
| | | | \$ 1,590.00 |

Having made an examination of his records, Mr. Matson stated that no one of the said stolen checks were cashed inasmuch as none of them was presented to the Mellon National Bank for payment since the theft occurred.

Referring to report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, mentioned hereinbefore, an interview was had with E. M. Foster, Assistant Cashier of the Mellon National Bank, who, upon examining the alleged cashier's check of the said bank, furnished the Pittsburgh Office with the report of Special Agent Hanson, stated that the said check was not genuine, adding that the number of the Mellon National Bank is not "18-20" but is "8-26".

Mr. Foster stated that the name of Cassius M. McDonald never came to his attention and alleged that no cashier's check, identical to the one found in McDonald's possession, was ever presented or received at the Mellon National Bank for payment.

The photograph of McDonald could not be identified by either Mr. Foster or other members of his financial institution.

In accordance with suggestions made by the Jacksonville, Fla., Office, the Mellon National Bank cashier's check hereinbefore referred to is being returned to that office. The photograph of McDonald is being retained in the Pittsburgh Office for possible future reference.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1216
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1233
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING.

With reference to your letter of March 4, 1935, as to the situation regarding the claim of WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON, with the Veterans Administration, the enclosure indicated was not attached to such letter.

We will make inquiry when next an Agent is at Hines, Illinois to determine what the situation is as to his claim, in order that he may be advised accordingly.

Very truly yours,

I. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

March 7, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with
aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with
aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM CRAVER
with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241.
ET AL - Edward G. Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter directed to the Oklahoma City
office by the Chicago office under date of March 2, 1935, relating
to two \$100 money orders which were transmitted by Volney Davis
to Moty Stanley, to be given to Jess Doyle.

Jess Doyle has been interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail,
St. Paul, and has stated that to the best of his recollection,
the money orders were received by Stanley during the summer of
1934, and were given to Doyle about three weeks later, and that
he cashed them at the Post Office at Commerce, Oklahoma. He is
unable to recall the place where they were issued or the exact
month when received.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSE P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1233
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WM. J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING.

With reference to your letter of March 4, 1935, Special Agent
K. R. McIntire of this office has been working upon certain information in
connection with this case, in order to have all the facts possible avail-
able in contemplation of his proceeding to St. Paul to collaborate with
Special Agent John E. Brennan in the writing of a summary report in this
case for use in the trial and prosecution of the subjects now held.

However, in this connection Agent McIntire had to proceed
to Kansas City in order to appear as a witness there in a case which is
on trial and is still located at Kansas City. During the time he is there
however, he is concerning himself with the further review of the file in
order that he may have as much information available as possible when he
can proceed to St. Paul, and proceed with the writing of the summary report.
Immediately upon his return to the office here I will have Agent McIntire
proceed to St. Paul, which should be during the first part of the coming
week.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

March 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

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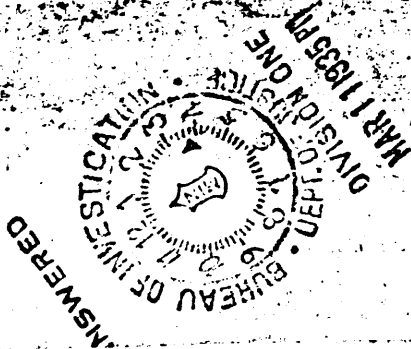
With reference to the kidnaping case entitled
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; ROY JOHN FRISCH, VICTIM, this is to re-
quest that this office be furnished with two copies of all
reports submitted in the case by your office.

A copy of this letter is being furnished the
San Francisco office and the same request is being made of
it.

Very truly yours,

P. K. FAX,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc: Bureau
cc: San Francisco



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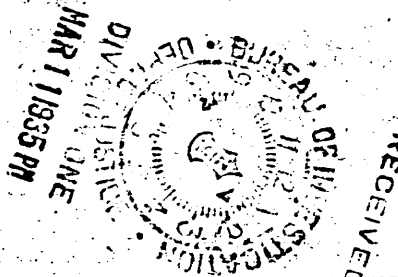
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F. X. Fay,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Ave., Rm. 1403,
New York City, N.Y.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS ROY FRISCH VICTIM KIDNAPING USA MOBILE STATES RE UNDERSTANDS
ROY FRISCH WAS INCLUDED IN NEW INDICTMENT WITH GRADY AND MCKAY AT NEW YORK
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POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with
aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with
aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with
aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON
with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY LAWYER
with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON
with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

It will be noted from previous reports in the above entitled case emanating from this office that subject Oliver A. Berg is at present incarcerated in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, on a charge of robbery, and that he is serving an indefinite sentence of from ten years to life. It will be further noted that Oliver A. Berg was recently indicted with others by a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on a charge of conspiracy to kidnap victim Edward George Bremer.

On this date Special Agent F. G. Tillman of this office conferred with Assistant United States Attorney Leo Hassenauer, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of arranging to have a detainer filed with the Warden of the Illinois State Penitentiary in order to insure that subject Berg will not be released on parole from that institution. Mr. Hassenauer suggested that the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, be requested to forward a certified copy of the indictment, together with the bench warrant against Berg showing a non est return, which must likewise be certified, to the Warden of the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois. He also suggested that the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, send a letter to the Warden setting up all the facts with respect to this defendant and requesting him to promptly notify the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, of any petition for parole or any action which might be taken thereunder in Berg's favor. Mr. Hassenauer pointed out that should Berg be paroled before his sentence expires the United States Attorney at St. Paul could then take steps to have the prisoner brought to St. Paul, Minnesota, to stand trial under the indictment.

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It is suggested that the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, be requested to make arrangements to have a certified copy of the indictment and bench warrant forwarded to the Warden of the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois at the earliest practicable date to act as a stop against him.

The above is submitted as the recommendation of Mr. Hassenauer who believes this would do away with the necessity of issuing a fugitive complaint and warrant at Chicago at this time, and would insure his being held for the Federal Government.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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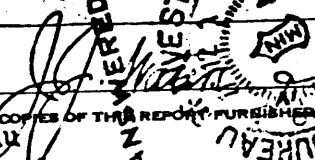
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| REPORT MADE AT: PITTSBURGH, PA. | DATE WHEN MADE: 5-8-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2-25-35 | REPORT MADE BY: F. H. AMES |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; ETAL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: H. E. Platt, Swank Hardware Co., Johnstown, Pa., advised records relating to firearm sales for 1917 destroyed. No information obtained from A. A. Dietrich, Nanty Glo, Pa. | | | |
| REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Bryan Farrell, New York City, 2-4-35. | | | |
| DETAILS: AT JOHNSTOWN, PA. Agent interviewed Mr. H. E. Platt, buyer for the Swank Hardware Store, who advised that the records of the sale of firearms for the year 1917 had been destroyed and consequently he was unable to furnish the Agent any information concerning the sale of Winchester rifle, Serial # 154112-4. AT NANTY GLO, PA. Mr. A. A. Dietrich of the Dietrich Hardware Company, advised that in 1917 no record was kept of the sale of firearms consequently he could not furnish any information relative to the above mentioned gun. | | | |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-4940 MAR 11 A.M. | | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 12 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 16 1935 JACKETED: |
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Bureau of Investigation

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.
March 8, 1935.

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUG. I O 1218;
Re: DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I O 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I O 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I O 1237, FUG.,
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

| Name (inc. aliases) | City, Police Arrest, or Other Number. | Approximate Date Fingerprints for- warded Bureau of Investigation. | Fingerprint Classifica- tion. |
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| OTTO JACKSON | K.C. PD, #22596 | 11-15-34 | 5 U 00 17 17 R 10 13 |
| RUSSELL "SPIKE" LANE | SO, JACKSON CO., MO., #348 (?) | 2-23-35 | 29 I 6 4 M 14 |

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Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN

Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Mr. Connelley-Chicago

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March 14, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - Fugitive,
I.O. #1216; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL,
with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS,
with aliases, I.O. #1237 - Fugitive;
ET AL.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication dated March 9, 1935, re-
garding OTTO JACKSON and RUSSELL "SPIKE" LANE, there is transmitted
herewith a copy of the criminal record of OTTO JACKSON, Police
Department, Kansas City, Missouri, #22596, as reflected by the
fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I am also transmitting herewith a copy of the criminal
record as reflected by the fingerprint files of this Bureau, of
one Russell E. Lane, our file #584995, who as Russell E. Lane,
alias "Spike" Lane, #2503, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office,
Kansas City, Missouri, February 23, 1935, charge investigation.
The fingerprint classification of this subject is 25 29 W I 8
4 W M 14.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #297119

CC - Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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POST OFFICE BOX 818
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1223
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1224
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1227
WILLIAM ZEVEER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING.

In connection with the apprehension of Russell Gibson alias Slim Gray and others at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935, there were recovered several Browning automatic rifles from which the muzzles had been removed, and these muzzles were subsequently restored by the Bureau. Among these was a .30 calibre Browning automatic rifle, number 211774, which the War Department advises was received at the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Illinois in 1923, and was last inspected there in 1930; that no further record could be located of the theft or loss of this rifle from that arsenal.

When next an Agent is at Rock Island, Illinois, will you please have him make suitable inquiry at the arsenal for full details in connection with the possession of this gun by the arsenal, and any other information which may indicate the source from which this rifle was obtained by Gibson.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

cc Bureau
cc St. Paul

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| <p>ANSWERED</p> <p>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE</p> <p>DIVISION ONE</p> <p>MAR 11 1935 PM</p> <p>Helen Subera, Portland, Maine, and Marjorie J. Lord, Woburn, Mass., both advise they are members of "The Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" of Denver, Colorado, and that they have never received any communication from any person named Harper. In the event they do receive any communication they will immediately notify the Boston Bureau office.</p> <p align="center">- HUC -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter dated February 14, 1935, from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill.</p> <p>DETAILS: Miss Helen Subera, 25 Glenwood Avenue, Portland, Maine, nursemaid for Mrs. Forrest E. Richardson, upon interview, stated her home is at Streeter, North Dakota, and that she has resided in Portland about eight weeks. She further states that she is a member of "The Get Acquainted Correspondence Club" of Denver, Colorado, and that she has never received any communications from any person named George L. Harper or any person by the name of Davis. She further states that if she receives any communications from Harper she will immediately notify the Boston Bureau office by telephone.</p> <p>Miss Marjorie J. Lord, Winn Street, Woburn, Mass., upon interview, stated that she is a member of "The Get Acquainted Correspondence Club"</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>C. McKenna</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-4943 MAR 11 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE | |
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of Denver, Colorado, and that she has never received any communication from any person by the name of Harper. She further states that she corresponds with Carl Kuhn, Okanoga, Washington. Miss Lord exhibited a sample of Kuhn's handwriting and there is no similarity between this handwriting and that of subject Volney Davis.

Miss Lord further states that if she does receive any communication from Harper, she will immediately get in touch with the Boston Bureau office.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 8, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

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EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim-KIDNAPING.

With reference to letter of March 1, 1935, directed to the Bureau by the Jacksonville office, in which reference is made to Bureau letter of Feb. 21, 1935, and letter of the Jacksonville office under date of January 22, 1935, concerning the transmittal of various firearms found in the house at Oklawaha, Florida, occupied by Kate Barker and Fred Barker, together with which when received at the Bureau, there were located two road maps of Ohio and one of the State of Florida, these have no significance in connection with the case. Special Agents J. C. White and C. B. Winstead who packed these guns for shipment indicate that these maps were among the miscellaneous paper used for packing purposes.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 5, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

There is attached hereto copy of an airmail special delivery letter addressed to the Bureau in the Bremer kidnaping case, wherein it is noted that a search was made of a Chevrolet car by Special Agents of the Kansas City Bureau Office. The car was the property of one Earl Stuchlik, who was taken to the Kansas City Office for questioning in connection with the search being conducted for Volney Davis. No process had been issued for Stuchlik, and during his detention by the Kansas City Bureau Office, he was searched as well as the luggage belonging to him which was found in the Missouri Hotel.

It is suggested that no letter be directed to the Kansas City Office in this instance cautioning the agents against such illegal searches, but that action be deferred in the matter until an inspector or Bureau official has occasion to visit the Kansas City Office, at which time the question of searches can be orally discussed with the Agent in Charge, and the agents who are making it a practice to report such illegal searches in correspondence and reports. It is believed that a letter to the Kansas City Office in this instance would result in the agents becoming too cautious in their investigative activities.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

February 28, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

*Memorandum
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Rear*

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218;
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Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING

I am attaching hereto a clipping from the Kansas City Journal Post of February 28, 1935 concerning the destruction of nitro glycerine which was found in an apartment at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri and concerning which the Bureau has been previously advised by telephone.

Subsequent to my conversation with Mr. Tamm on February 26, 1935, I conferred with Assistant United States Attorney Randall Wilson, who suggested that he knew of no way by which the release required by the Hercules Powder Company before proceeding with the destruction of the nitro glycerine could be executed by any Federal Agency. Subsequently, through contact with Sheriff Thomas E. Bash, of Kansas City, Missouri, arrangements were made whereby this release was signed by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly, of Mr. Bash's office, and on the afternoon of February 26, 1935, the bottles presumably containing nitro glycerine were removed from the apartment, and were taken to the magazine of the Hercules Powder Company near Kansas City, Missouri and exploded by use of dynamite caps and fuses under the direction of the explosives expert of that company, Mr. Peacock. Special Agent H. E. Andersen, of this office, and Deputy Sheriff John Kelly were present at the time. Agent Andersen informs me that two of the bottles, containing something over one pint of fluid, were found to be nitro glycerine and did explode. The third bottle failed to explode and Mr. Peacock advised it was not nitro glycerine. Mr. Peacock has promised to furnish this office with a report concerning his findings in this matter.

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February 28, 1935.

With reference to the article appearing in the local newspaper, it is assumed that this information was given to the paper by the Sheriff's Office.

Surveillance was maintained by Agents of this office over a Chevrolet car known to be the property of Preston Paden, son of Edna Murray, from the early morning of February 26, 1935 until approximately noon, February 27, 1935, at which time Earl Stuchlik entered the car and drove around the streets of Kansas City. He gave the impression of endeavoring to confuse anyone who might be following him and, consequently, after proceeding some distance, he was stopped by Special Agents R. P. Shanahan and M. Kremer and accompanied them to this office for questioning. He denied any information concerning Volney Davis, claiming not to have seen him since the year 1927, although he admitted having seen Jess Doyle and Doris O'Connor in November 1934. He stated that he had been at the Missouri Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri, for about three days accompanied by Preston Paden, and that they had been on a drunk with some girls. He advised that Paden had been away from the hotel since the preceding day but was expected to return on February 27, 1935, and that he and Paden had planned to proceed to Topeka, Kansas on that date.

A thorough search was made of the Chevrolet car by Special Agents Andersen and Farland, of this office. There was found in the car a flashlight which had been taped over the lens with a very small opening, and which was apparently so prepared for use as a burglar's implement. There was also found beneath the seat of the coupe a beer bottle which contained a very small quantity of what appeared to be nitro glycerine. This bottle was removed from the car and taken to a safe place, where it was exploded by firing into the bottle. This operation was handled by Agents Andersen and Shanahan and they advise me that when the bottle was struck there was a puff of smoke indicating that its contents were nitro glycerine.

After thoroughly questioning Stuchlik it appeared undesirable to release him, and the Sheriff's Office in Kansas City, Missouri, was contacted and desired to hold Stuchlik on a charge of possession of burglar's implements. He is, accordingly, so held at the present time and there is a possibility that an identification of Stuchlik might be made in connection with recent safe-cracking jobs in Kansas City, Kansas and vicinity.

February 28, 1935.

In an effort to locate Paden, in order that he might be questioned in this matter, Agents of this office have been continuously stationed in the rooms occupied by him and Stuchlik in the Missouri Hotel since the afternoon of February 27, 1935. However, he has not returned to his room and apparently has not been there since the preceding day. It is noted that these parties had checked out of the hotel but had not removed their baggage. It appears extremely doubtful that Paden will return to that hotel now, in view of the newspaper article previously referred to and I, accordingly, contemplate removing the Agents from this spot during the evening of today.

I might state here that during a part of the time these Agents have been at the Missouri Hotel they have been accompanied by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly, this procedure appearing desirable to me in view of the fact there is no Federal charge concerning this person, and there is the possibility that he might create some disturbance should he return to the room.

No items of evidentiary value were found on Stuchlik's person or in the luggage at the Missouri Hotel.

At the time of the removal of the bottles containing nitro glycerine from the apartment at 4915 Troost Avenue, a more thorough search of the cupboard where this liquid was stored revealed a receipt for a Safety Deposit Box at the Parsons Safety Deposit Company, 1804 Broadway, Parsons, Kansas, which was tucked away beneath or behind one of the bottles and which had not been previously found due to the apparent danger from handling these containers. This receipt showed the rental of Box 130 at the above company on January 8, 1935, for the period of one year by one F. W. Wilson.

Immediate inquiries were made at Parsons by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, of this office, where it was found that this Safety Deposit Company is operated by an elderly woman in the rear of a mercantile establishment. Upon interview, she informed the Agents that on February 17, 1935, a burglary had occurred in her establishment during which approximately 40 Safety Deposit Boxes, including 130, had been entered by boring out the lock and all contents removed. This woman had no information or description of the person renting the box and advised that her ledger, which contained any information of this character, had also been stolen during the burglary. Through inquiry at the Parsons Police Department, Agent Vandover determined that it was the opinion of that Department that this robbery was a local job. This office will be advised of any information of interest developed by the Parsons Police in this matter.

4 - Director

February 28, 1935.

Agents of this office have been in the apartment at 4915 Troost Avenue continuously since the apprehension of "Spike" Lane. However, in view of the fact that the rental of the apartment by its previous occupants expires today, and the further fact that in the face of the publicity, it seems unlikely that anyone in whom we are interested would return to the apartment, I anticipate removing the Agents from the apartment this evening. I trust that this procedure will meet with the Bureau's approval.

The items briefly mentioned herein will, of course, be fully detailed in a report to be submitted, but this letter is being forwarded at this time in order that the Division may be fully advised concerning the activities in this district.

Very truly yours,


R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul
cc - E. J. Connelly, Chicago



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BREMER GANG PLOT SEEN

KANSAS CITY JOURNAL-POST

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'Soup' Found
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July 28, 1935.

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Vinita Stacey's
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Federal Men Seek to Learn
What Is Behind Dis-
covery Here.

Some deep plot involving the remnants of the Bremer kidnaping gang in Kansas City and the use of powerful explosives are under investigation by the federal bureau of investigation and the Jackson county sheriff's office.

Wednesday night, the second time within twenty-four hours, deputies from the sheriff's office and federal agents confiscated a quantity of nitroglycerin. The explosive was found in a car belonging to Earl Stuchlik, 40 years old, McPherson, Kas., who admitted he was the husband of Vinita Stacey, sister of Edna Murray, Kansas City "kissing bandit," who is under indictment for a part in the abduction of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Explosive in Car.

Stuchlik was arrested Wednesday night near Twelfth street and Broadway after the agents and deputies found the explosives in his car.

Tuesday night agents and deputies searched the apartment of Russell (Spike) Lane, former night club operator, at 4915 Troost avenue and found 1 1/2 pints of nitroglycerin concealed beneath the kitchen sink. Tuesday morning Lane was arraigned on a federal charge of harboring and concealing Volney Davis, Bremer kidnaping suspect, who escaped from government men at Yorkville, Ill., while being transported by airplane from Kansas City to Chicago.

Held in Shooting.

Vinita Stacey has been held in the county jail since early in February in connection with her attempt to slay Frances Taylor, also believed to have been an associate of the Bremer suspects.

Edna Murray and Jesse Doyle, also under indictment in the Bremer case, were arrested near Pittsburg after the attempt on Frances Taylor's life. The investigation of the shooting led to the arrest of the others accused in Bremer's abduction.

Doyle, Davis, and their women associates are known to have been in Kansas City since before last July.

What part the nitroglycerin was intended to play in the activities of the gang of alleged extortionists, the investigators have refused to reveal. They have been working almost continuously on the Bremer investigation since the presence of the alleged gang members in Kansas City was brought to light by

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

March 9, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
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P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Ill.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,
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MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Alice Conrad, Minneapolis, Minnesota, communicated with the St. Paul Bureau Office on the morning of March 9, 1935, and advised that she was leaving for Chicago, Illinois Sunday night, and that she would remain in Chicago until Friday night when she expected to proceed to New York City. With reference to the money which she is holding and which appears to belong to the Sawyers, she advised that she is drawing this money from the bank in Minneapolis as a "loan", and that she has no hesitancy in doing this in view of the amount of trouble she had over the matter. She advised that she has received no information from the Sawyers either directly or indirectly and that upon her arrival in Chicago she would communicate with the Chicago Bureau office in order to verify her presence in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

D. H. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.



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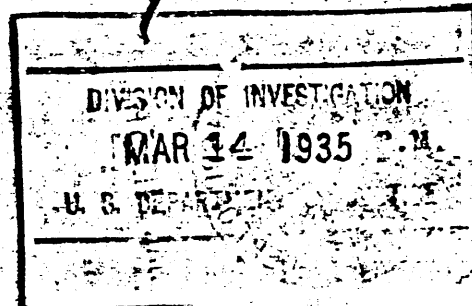
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UNDER SURVEILLANCE ON TRIP TO NEW YORK WHERE SHE WILL
POSSIBLY CONTACT GLADYS SAWYER. SUGGEST SURVEILLANCE
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NO MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS HOWEVER BEST INFORMATION INDICATES NO ONE AT LOUIS CERNOCKYS PLACE, FOX RIVER GROVE, ILLINOIS. HAD WOMAN INFORMANT GO INTO PLACE AND CONTACT ALL PERSONS THERE BEING WAITRESS FORMERLY EMPLOYED THERE. VARIOUS LEADS BEING FOLLOWED TO DEVELOP INFORMATION POSSIBLE LOCATION ANY SUBJECTS.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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March 9, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I. O. 1218;
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HARRY SAWYER with aliases - I.O. 1240; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Please be advised that today Leo Mack, Deputy United States Marshal, here, called at the Jacksonville Office, and advised that the doctor employed by the Government to care for Federal prisoners had informed him that he was presently treating Wynona Burdette for gonorrhea; that the case is an old one and she is presently afflicted with a number of ulcers and that without doubt any man who has co-habited with this woman recently will have to secure treatment for this same disease.

Very truly yours,


R. E. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC. Saint Paul
E. J. Connelley at Chicago

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On page 5 of the February issue of the Protective Bulletin of the American Bankers Association appears what is purported to be a photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL, I.O. 1236. This photograph is apparently one of ARTHUR R. BARKER, inasmuch as it appears very similar to a photograph of Barker taken by the Joplin, Missouri Police Department when he was arrested at Joplin on February 19, 1920, Joplin Police Department number 1740.

A photograph of Arthur R. Barker identical with the one appearing in the American Bankers Association Protective Bulletin undoubtedly will be found in the files of the Identification Unit. If such is the case it is suggested that the American Bankers Association at New York City be advised of its error, and that they be provided with a proper photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL for publication in their bulletin.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

CC St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT #1 UNIT #3

3-18-1935.

TO: Director
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3-19 1935.

To: ☐ Director
☐ Mr. Nathan
☐ Mr. Tolson
☐ Mr. Clegg
☐ Miss Gandy
☒ Chief, Unit One
☐ Chief Clerk
☐ Printing Section
☐ Files

attention Mr. Newby

*I don't have any record of
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 sent to files.
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 rec'd & sent to files.*

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L. C. Schilder.

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March 25, 1935

Editor,
Protective Bulletin of the
American Bankers Association,
22 East 40th Street,
New York, New York.

Dear Sirs:

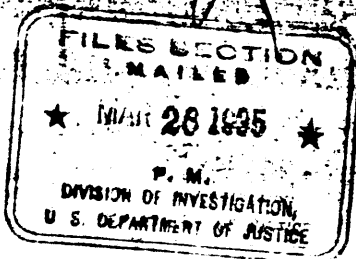
This Bureau has received information to the effect that on page five of the February issue of the Protective Bulletin of the American Bankers Association, there appears a photograph purporting to be the photograph of Harry Campbell, member of the Barker-Karpis gang and that this photograph is, in fact, one of Arthur R. Barker, who is now in custody in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, awaiting trial.

Should you desire to publish a photograph of Campbell, there is transmitted herewith a copy of a photograph taken by the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department on December 25, 1930.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure No. 851900.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Confiscating of automobiles used by
Fugitives

With further reference to my memorandum of February 6, 1935, in which it is recorded that Mr. Holtzoff expresses his opinion that the Division has no right to confiscate automobiles utilized by fugitives, I believe it would be desirable to return to the executors of the estate of Fred Barker the Buick car, which was recovered at Ocala, Florida. I feel that in those cases where a Division fugitive is fatally wounded and an executor subsequently appointed, some criticism may arise through the retaining of a car. These cases are of course to be distinguished from those cases in which a car is abandoned by a fugitive who makes a successful getaway.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:HAM.

March 9, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - FUGITIVE - I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases - I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases - I. O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases - I. O. 1240; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Please be advised that O. H. Mathews, formerly a Deputy Marshal, here, now jailor at the Duval County Jail, Jacksonville, who is considered one of the most honest officers in the state of Florida, and very cooperative with this Bureau, informed that he has instructed Dolores De Laney and Wynona Burdette that if they desire to have placed in the mail any communications, they will have to first be submitted to him unsealed, after which, before they are placed in the mails, he will refer them to this office for review.

Today, the following letters were forwarded by Wynona Burdette:

Letter to Mrs. C. R. Jones - sister
Turley, Oklahoma,

Mrs. R. D. Wilson - sister
Arondale, Oklahoma, and

Art Burdette - brother
907 French Street
Erie, Pennsylvania.

The above three communications contain no information of interest to this Bureau.

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To: Director

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Dolores De Laney forwarded the following letters:

Mrs. Helen De Laney - mother
365 Maria Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Frank A. Edwards
Deputy United States Marshal
Miami, Florida, requesting that certain clothing be
forwarded to Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Francisco
Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz
2842 North Francisco Avenue
Chicago, Illinois, inquiring about the baby, and re-
questing photograph of him.

Mrs. Jean De Laney Crompton - sister
Womens' Institution
Alderson, West Virginia, advising her to call on the
baby after her release on March 31, 1935.

The letters of De Laney contain no information of interest to the Bureau.

In the letters of both girls, they requested that their
mail be addressed to the Jacksonville Office, Post Office Box 4907.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Saint Paul
E. J. Connelley at Chicago

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
Director

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
February 24, 1935

Time - 10 am

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case
"Leo".

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| Mr. Nathan | ✓ |
| Mr. Tolson | ✓ |
| Mr. Backus | |
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| Mr. Tracy | |
| Miss Gandy | |

I telephoned Mr. Miller at the Kansas City Office with reference to the escape of the above from the Bureau Agents. Mr. Miller stated that a complaint was filed against Leo charging him with harboring Volney Davis, and the Agents proceeded to Leo's apartment for the purpose of arresting him; that the Agents who comprised the party were as follows: Shanahan, Bryce, Parry, Scott and (fifth Agent not remembered). There was also a Deputy Sheriff with the party, this Deputy having lived in the same apartment house.

Mr. Miller stated that the Agents and the Deputy proceeded to the apartment occupied by Leo, and there were three men in the apartment. He stated that while he is not sure as to how the situation was arranged, he believes that two of the Agents went inside while three remained outside and the Deputy remained across the street. Mr. Miller further stated that he has not had a chance to get the complete facts from the Agents, and does not know how they came to apprehend one of the men in the apartment and let the other two escape; that, however, it is his understanding that some one in the beer place must have tipped the men off.

I instructed Mr. Miller to immediately ascertain the names of all the Agents participating in this raid, get statements from them in detail as to their activities on the time in question, and forward to the Bureau as soon as possible a complete telegraphic summary of the circumstances; that the statements of the Agents should be forwarded via air mail and special delivery to the Bureau immediately thereafter. I instructed him to give this matter his immediate and personal attention.

With reference to the man in custody, Mr. Miller stated that this man has not as yet been fingerprinted, but is known to the Sheriff's Office there. I instructed him to immediately fingerprint this man and send his prints in so that we might be positive as to who the man is. I further instructed Mr. Miller to have this man thoroughly questioned as to the robberies of the banks at Okemah, Oklahoma and Drexel, Missouri, reminding him that Doyle had stated that these men were implicated in the robbery of the bank at Okemah.

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and since it is known that at least six men participated in the robbery of the bank at Okemah, it is possible that the men in question are implicated; that although the man has been picked up, our work does not stop there in that we have to have some evidence to substantiate and justify our actions. I instructed him to have this angle of the matter pursued with vigor.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

326 1/2 Post Office Building

New Orleans, Louisiana

February 27, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases I.O.#1218
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases I.O.
1219
William Weaver, with aliases I.O.1238
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the fingerprints of an individual by the name of Harold Jene Miller, who was reported by informant Enoch Seal, City Marshal, Poplarville, Miss., as being identical in likeness with subject William Weaver, I. O. 1238. This individual is teaching dancing around Poplarville and Picayune, Miss., and living at the Peach Tree Hotel, Picayune, Miss. and voluntarily submitted to the taking of the aforementioned fingerprints.

Harold Jene Miller, while bearing some resemblance to the description of subject Weaver, was not found, from fingerprints to be identical.

Kindly compare these prints with records of the Identification Unit of the Federal Bureau and ascertain whether this individual is wanted.

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Very truly yours,

D. W. Magee,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINN.

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| REPORT MADE AT: Salt Lake City, Utah. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-8-35. | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/5 to 8/35. | REPORT MADE BY: J. T. McLAUGHLIN - G.J. |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. 121B, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING. |

ANSWERED
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MAR 12 1935 AM

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: William Brooks, Ex-Sheriff, now Postmaster St. George, Utah, and his assistants, unable to identify person mailing letter Manager Beaumont Apartments, Kansas City. Mo. Brooks, his Assistant Earl Cannon and present Sheriff John Cottan, identify photograph of Harry Campbell as being seen in vicinity of St. George about March 1st. G.D. Alsop, Manager of the Arrowhead Oil Co., now deceased, states Volney Davis came to Escalante Wells, one of his promotions, looking for work about three weeks ago. No information relative to Davis or Campbell could be obtained at Las Vegas, and Boulder City, Nevada. Officers and contacts there advised they would notify Salt Lake City office immediately if they are seen. H.J. McSherry, Alcoholic Unit, Treasury Department, identifies Campbell's picture as individual recently seen by him about Reno, Nevada.

REFERENCE: Letter from the Kansas City Office dated March 4, 1935.

DETAILS: William Brooks, formerly Sheriff, now Postmaster, St. George, Utah, was interviewed. He advised that on the morning of March 1, 1935, the clerk in the office failed to change the month calendar, and for a few hours the mail read that morning as 2-29-35; that while his clerk Earl Cannon was in the process of sorting the mail, he noticed an airmail stamp of the old style, which he commonly refers to as a "3¢ stamp". The postmaster states that Cannon brought the letter to him and that he permitted it to go on its way. He advised that he

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did not know who deposited this letter in the post office. A photograph of Volney Davis was exhibited to Postmaster William Brooks, and he stated that he never saw anyone of that likeness about St. George, whereupon photographs of Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and numerous other associates of these individuals were exhibited to Mr. Brooks, and he stated that the only one who was familiar was Harry Campbell, who he believes he positively saw at St. George, possibly in the Post Office; that for some time there was a letter held at General Delivery, addressed to Harry Campbell, and that this letter was called for on March 1, 1935, or possibly a day before this day, or the day after, but the Postmaster was of the opinion that it was about the first of the month.

Relative to the stamp which was used on this letter, the Postmaster stated that all stamps were collected months and months ago of this type, and that a 6¢ stamp has been in use, and this is the first time that he noticed one passing through the Post Office for over a year. He stated that it might possibly come from some small Post Office located down in Arizona, or some mining camp away out in the interior of Nevada or Utah, but that none of them were sold around that vicinity at the present time. Mr. Brooks further stated that the country directly south of St. George is in Arizona, and that it was pretty bad country between St. George and Flagstaff; that numerous bad men have hidden out there, and it would be a logical place for Davis to hide if he was really wanted very bad by the Government or any particular State.

Earl Cannon, Post Office Clerk, advised that on the morning of March 1, 1935, he failed to change the month and date on the cancelling machine, and that for a number of hours that morning it read as 2-29-35; that while in the process of cancelling stamps, he noticed a 5¢ airmail stamp and that said letter was addressed to somebody in Kansas City, Mo.; that he showed the stamp to the Postmaster, who told him to permit it to go through. Mr. Cannon states he has been at the Post Office for about 12 years, and that he is familiar with all people calling for mail, whereupon photographs of all individuals were exhibited to him in connection with this case, and he picked out the picture of Harry Campbell as being the only person resembling anyone of the group, who he believes he has seen in and about St. George recently. Mr. Cannon further recalls that there was a letter for Harry Campbell for General Delivery for some time, and that someone called for it around the first of the month. He further stated that he could not possibly recall where anyone could secure a 5¢ stamp, airmail, as they are totally foreign to that Post Office, but that possibly someone who bought a supply in a mining camp might still have them, and the letter might have come in through that channel. However, he said that is the first one he has seen of that type for over a year.

Agent interviewed Sheriff John Cottan, who was also City Marshal at St. George. All photographs of the so called Bremer mob were exhibited to him, and the only one that he could pick out as resembling anyone seen recently in the vicinity of St. George was Harry Campbell. He stated that all other photographs were unfamiliar to him. He believes that possibly ten or fifteen days ago a man appearing like Campbell was seen on the street by him in St. George. To the best of his recollection he was short, thin type of fellow, with a face like the photograph of Harry Campbell exhibited to him by this agent.

The Sheriff advised that the only construction work being done in that vicinity was by C.D. Alsop, who is operating under the name of the Arrowhead Oil Co., said company at the present time wild catting on oil wells on Government land in that vicinity.

Mr. C.D. Alsop (now deceased) was interviewed, and he stated that the picture of Volney Davis was familiar to him; that about two or three weeks ago two men drove up to the Escalante Well in an automobile, description of the car unknown, possibly a Ford, and one of them came up to the well base and asked him for employing, stating that he could do most anything; that he refused to hire the man and got back in the car and drove away. Mr. Alsop states that this man positively looked like the photograph of Volney Davis. He further stated he has not seen this man about the vicinity of St. George since that time, and he further stated that he did not recall seeing any of the other individuals whose photographs were exhibited to him, which included Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Dr. Moran, and all other available pictures of the so-called Bremer mob.

E.J. Pickett, District Attorney, St. George, Utah, was interviewed, and all photographs of the Bremer mob were exhibited to him, but he could not identify any of them as resembling any stranger seen in the vicinity of St. George, in recent months. He stated however, that if he received any information of any strangers hiding out in that vicinity, he would immediately communicate with the Salt Lake City Bureau office.

All filling stations, the Liberty Hotel, the Arrowhead Hotel, and garages in St. George, were canvassed, but no one could recall seeing any of the Bremer mob as reflected by the photographs, in their places of business.

Sheriff John H. Cottan and Postmaster William Brooks were furnished with additional photographs of Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, and they advised that in the event they see or hear anything that might be of interest to the Government in connection with these individuals, they would immediately call the Salt Lake City Bureau office.

At the various hotels, particularly the Liberty and the Arrowhead, the writer purchased airmail stamps, but they were of the ordinary 6¢ type. None of the filling stations were carrying any stamps, that were called upon.

While enroute to Las Vegas, Nevada, from St. George, Utah, the writer stopped at all tourist camps, but none of the attendants at these places could recollect seeing anyone resembling the photographs of Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, or Alvin Karpis, and other members of this mob, passing through there recently.

At Las Vegas, Nevada, the writer contacted Deputy Sheriff Homer Grove, who is considered a reliable person in the Sheriff's office. He stated that after viewing all photographs in the possession of the writer relative to the Bremer case, that the face of Volney Davis and Harry Campbell were familiar to him; that these individuals were in Las Vegas some time back, possibly a year and a half ago, but he has not seen them about that vicinity since. He spent practically all night making the various clubs and liquor and beer rooms with H.J. McSherry and D.W. Doyle agents of the Alcoholic Unit, Treasury Department, and a number of these places they raided, but no one resembling any of the Bremer mob was seen in these places. Mr. Grove advised that he will make constant repeated efforts practically every evening until the late hours of the morning, attempting to ascertain whether any of the individuals desired by the Government were at Las Vegas at the present time.

D.W. Doyle, Alcoholic Unit, Treasury Department, who is attending Court and making investigations at Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that all photographs exhibited to him were unfamiliar to him, with the exception of Harry Campbell, who he thinks he possibly saw in Reno. He accompanied by H.J. Sherry, and Deputy Sheriff Grove, spent practically all night of March 6, visiting places where liquor was being sold, and gambling was going on, but they reported the following morning that they were unable to find any of the persons desired by the Government.

H.J. Sherry, Alcoholic Unit, Treasury Department, stationed at Reno, Nevada, was in Las Vegas, Nevada, and all photographs were exhibited to him and he stated that the only face that was familiar was that of Harry Campbell, whom he stated he had seen previously at Reno about a year and a half ago when there was a bunch in town, and he stated that some time during the last few days he has seen this face in Reno, possibly at the Bank Club. He stated he was returning to Reno in the next 24 hours and would attempt to locate this individual if possible.

Bill Wright, 431 Fremont St., Standard Oil Station, Las Vegas, Nev., who greases practically all automobiles stopping at that station for that type of work, advised that the photographs of the Bremer

mob were totally unfamiliar to him, but that he would keep a sharp watch and immediately notify the Salt Lake City Bureau office should he see any of these individuals. This individual is considered very reliable, he is related by marriage to Special Agent K. Deaderick.

A confidential informant, who has previously supplied favorable information to the Salt Lake City office, was contacted at Las Vegas, and he advised that he was making all the night clubs and places of entertainment in Las Vegas, but none of the persons who are members of the Bremer mob have been seen there by him. It is to be noted that all photographs of this mob were previously furnished this informant by Special Agent C.E. Weeks of this office on a previous visit to Las Vegas, Nevada. He stated that in the event he saw anyone who resembled any of this mob he would immediately communicate with the Salt Lake City Bureau office.

At Boulder City, Nevada, the writer contacted W.H. Trimble, Chief Ranger, and exhibited to him all photographs of the Bremer mob, and personally contacted Warren Corley, Fred Parkinson, C.F. Peterson, O.P. Senter and W.E. Lukens, Rangers, who frequently visit the Dam Site, and observe all employees of the Six Companies. Chief Trimble and these rangers advised upon viewing all photographs in possession of the writer, that the individuals were unfamiliar to them. They however stated that they would keep a close watch on all new arrivals, which were very few, at the Dam, and if they received any information they would immediately communicate with the Salt Lake City office of the Bureau. In this connection it might be stated that the writer personally visited The Meadows, which is operated by Frank Conaro, a notorious character, which is located in Las Vegas, Boulder Dam Highway, the Red Rooster located on the Salt Lake highway, such places being the rendezvous of undesirables in Boulder City and Las Vegas.

In addition to these places in the early hours of March 7, the writer visited all the gambling establishments in the city of Las Vegas, proper. No one resembling any of the Bremer mob was seen in these places at the time of agent's visit.

E.J. Lampkin, Clerk at the Escalante Hotel, Cedar City, Utah, was interviewed, and all photographs of the so-called Bremer mob were exhibited to him, and he stated that the only one who looked in any way familiar to him was Volney Davis, whom he believes he saw about a year and a half ago passing through Cedar City.

Sheriff Fife of Cedar City was out of town, having been called to St. George in connection with the blow up of an oil well there, which resulted in many deaths, and the writer was unable to confer with him.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

LOS ANGELES OFFICE: Make appropriate investigation around FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA, and vicinity, to determine whether Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis have been in that vicinity.

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE: At RENO, NEVADA, will conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of determining whether or not Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, or other members of the so-called Bremer mob which are at large, have recently been seen in and about the vicinity of Reno, Nevada, and Tahoe Lake, Nevada.

PENDING.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 4, 1935

Time - 4:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

E. A. Tamm

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| Mr. Nathan | |
| Mr. Tolson | |
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| Mr. Smith | |
| Mr. Tamm | |
| Mr. Tracy | |
| Miss Gandy | |

I telephoned Mr. Nathan at the Kansas City Office with reference to the request of the United States Attorney for the assistance of Agent Trainor, and instructed him to inform the United States Attorney that Trainor is under a 90-day suspension, and that if his services are desired in any way, he will have to be subpoenaed in the regular way.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

March 8, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau letter dated February 23, 1935 requesting that the four bullet-proof vests recovered from the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, should be sent in to the Bureau.

I am transmitting the above vests under separate cover in accordance with your instructions. It will be noted that the only mark of identification appearing on these vests is the following label found on one of them:

"The Dunrite Bullet-Proof Vest
Manufactured by the Detective
Publishing Company, Chicago,
Illinois."

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. Chaffetz in an effort to trace the above vests:

Mr. H. Lentz, the manager for the above concern of their Chicago office which is located at 1029 South Wabash Street stated that his company does not keep any records of the sale of bullet proof vests aside from the usual sales slips made out at the time

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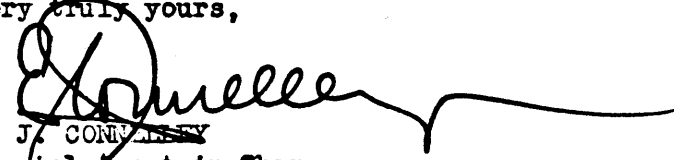
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of the actual sale. These sales slips do not furnish any information of value since it will be noted that these vests sold by this company are not numbered. He also stated that his concern sells vests almost entirely only to local Police Departments and Sheriffs' offices. He went on to say that because of the large number of raids being made by various gangs on these Police Departments and Sheriffs' offices, it would be impossible to determine from what particular office certain vests were taken.

It will be noted from the above information that no further checking can be made as to the final disposition of these vests or to determine how they came into the possession of the parties from whom they were recovered by us.

The above shipment is being made by the Railway Express Agency under prepaid waybill No. 3358.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
(Special Assignment)

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CC-St. Paul

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March 8, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; et al; EDWARD G. BREMER,
Victim: KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge William Larson, dated at Detroit, Michigan, September 28, 1934, in the above-entitled case, wherein, on page 7, information is set forth relative to one or two resorts partly owned by Ted Angus, located on Middle Island, about 18 miles from Port Clinton, Ohio, in Lake Erie, just across the International Boundary, in Canadian waters.

The Bureau feels that a thorough investigation should be conducted with respect to this island, and to this end, you are instructed to proceed to Detroit and, in cooperation with Special Agent in Charge Larson, [REDACTED] b7d

It is possible that Subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell have proceeded to this island, inasmuch as no investigative activity has been conducted there by this Bureau since the inception of this case.

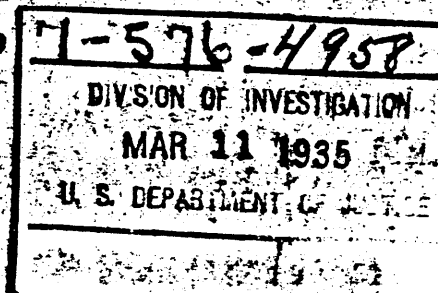
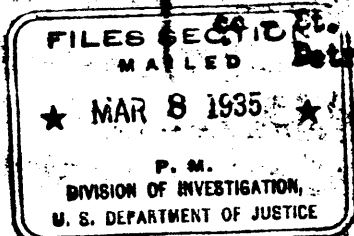
This matter should receive your prompt personal attention.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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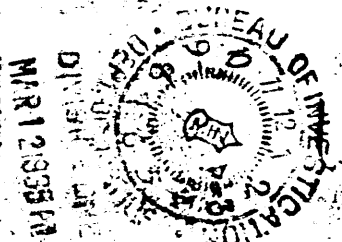
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Post Office Box #812
Chicago, Illinois



March 9, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Portland, Oregon

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
MYRTLE LATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

A review of the file in the case entitled: JOHN PAUL CHASE with aliases, ET AL - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT; CONSPIRACY TO HARBOR FUGITIVES; MURDER OF INSPECTOR S. P. COWLEY AND SPECIAL AGENT H. E. HOLLIS, discloses that Pat Reilly, who formerly worked as a bartender for Harry Sawyer, advised that Harry Sawyer was very friendly with Wala Wala White, whose real name is White.

With reference to this person, Reilly stated that he served a sentence in the Penitentiary at Wala Wala, Washington, and that he was released from that institution within the past two years. Reilly further stated that Wala Wala White frequented Harry Sawyer's place in St. Paul, Minnesota, for a long time subsequent to his release from the Penitentiary, and Reilly expressed the opinion that probably Harry Sawyer had something belonging to him.

In this connection it is respectfully requested that an Agent from your office conduct an appropriate investigation at the Penitentiary at Wala Wala, Washington, and obtain the complete criminal record, photograph, and history of this individual.

Kindly give this your immediate and prompt attention.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge
(Special Assignment)

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Oklawaha, Fla.
Feb. 26, 1936.

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Mr. Tamm...
Mr. Tracy...
Miss Gandy...

Dear Mr. Hoover,

It was our house where the Barker kidnapers were slain Jan. 16. As you of course know the house was terribly damaged.

My husband or I never saw these people and the house was rented through a friend, who said they were rich tourists, named Blackburn, who wanted a quiet place in the country for their mother.

We had never rented the house before for there was a lot of sentiment attached to it. Every piece of furniture had belonged to our grandmother or mother or father, who have passed on, and it was dear to us for that reason.

When asked if we would rent it my husband said, "no". Then the friend said he could get seventy-five or a hundred dollars a month for it, and they were nice people. Then we said we needed money too badly to refuse.

They left the hotel immediately paying the friend two months in advance. We had no opportunity to see them, they seemed in such a hurry.

Just as this house was finished a few years ago, the Bank of Bay Biscayne in Miami failed and we lost every cent of cash we had in the world.

We all know the world is better off without these Barkers. They were imposing on us too. They didn't rent the house next door (one that had belonged to our grandmother) and they were using it for their servants. They were told they couldn't rent or use our motor-boat and they were using it constantly. They owed for the last month's rent and I even had to pay a six weeks electric light bill of theirs, for they didn't change the meter to their name.

At first we felt we couldn't open the house to the public. It seemed as tho these bullets went through our hearts almost. I wrote the department of Justice in Jacksonville and asked if they could stop the sale of postcards of the interior of our home (Pictures that had been made for the government). They answered there was no

What about this? I want to be certain Bradford had no guilty knowledge. J.C.N.

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Letter from Oklawaha, Fla.
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way they knew of to stop it.

It was then that I decided to open the house, thinking perhaps after all it was selfishness on our part not to show it when the public seemed so anxious to see it. So the first strangers that went through set the price after they had seen it, saying it was worth fifty cents, later I reduced the price to forty cents.

We have had to employ and pay a deputy ever since the battle and I have had to remain here to keep people from taking souvenirs.

At the rate we are going we would have to keep the house open a couple of years to pay for the damages. It is hard work and I am kept away from my home and family in Miami. We feel we have been innocent victims, same as Mr. Bremer, who the Barker's kidnaped.

On opening the house we put up a big sign saying "It proves crime does not pay". Think there is a splendid lesson here which we try to bring out. When one sees how the government's bullets went through iron, steel, two by fours, walls, closets and the entire house just riddled, it surely shows the tremendous power, strength and protection of our government and the utter weakness and folly of crime.

All who see the house say they surely are glad to see the government getting rid of such people. Then they ask what the government is going to do about fixing up the house. My answer is from my heart and I tell them "I can't help but feel a government that stands for Justice will do the right thing by innocent people. I know our government doesn't want innocent people to suffer. When the whole world is blessed by being rid of these people, we too should be blessed, and not stand a financial loss".

Now, Mr. Hoover, I'm asking you, how do we present our claim? Please feel that this might have happened to one of your dear friends or family same as it has to us. We will be most grateful for any information or advice or anything you can do for us.

Thanking you kindly,

Yours truly,

/s/ Mrs. Carson Bradford,
Oklawaha, Fla.

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Thanking you kindly
Yours truly

Mrs Carson Bradford
Oklawaha, Fla.

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March 8, 1935

Mrs. Carson Bradford,
Oklawaha, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bradford:

The receipt is acknowledged of your communication dated February 26, 1935, with regard to the damage suffered your residence in effecting the apprehension of the Barkers during the month of January of this year.

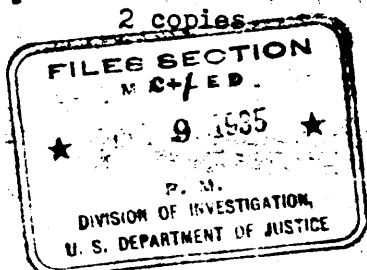
I regret sincerely to inform you that the Department has no appropriation available from which the claim for damages incurred in this case can be paid, with the consequent result that the only recourse that you would have would be a special relief bill enacted by Congress.

I feel certain that, if a bill requesting relief were introduced, the appropriate officials of the Department of Justice who handle such matters will be pleased to furnish a detailed statement of all the facts concerning the apprehension of the Barkers.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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TDQ:A

March 8, 1935

Mr. R. A. Alt,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Mr. Alt:

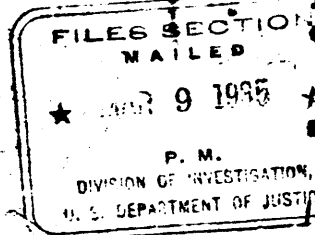
I have just received a letter dated February 26, 1935 from Mrs. Carson Bradford of Oklawaha, Florida, requesting information as to whether the Bureau would be able to pay for the damage suffered her residence while effecting the apprehension of the Barkers during January of this year.

I am attaching, hereto, for your information a copy of my reply to her communication pointing out that the only recourse she would have in this matter would be a special act of Congress awarding her damages suffered to the residence. I believe it would be desirable for you, or some reliable agent, in the event you are in the vicinity of Oklawaha, to call upon Mrs. Bradford and point out diplomatically that the Department has no funds from which expenditures of this character may be made, with the consequent result that her only recourse would be to have one of her Congressmen or Senators introduce a special bill covering the damage she suffered in this instance. It is customary in the event such a bill is introduced to have it referred to the committee, which in turn calls upon the Department for a statement of facts surrounding the incident, at which time the Bureau will furnish a detailed statement of all the facts surrounding the capture of the Barkers.

I believe this matter can be more properly handled by either you or an agent from your office explaining it to Mrs. Bradford in person, informing her of the proper channels through which a claim of this sort must be filed.

It is desired, therefore, that you give this matter appropriate attention at such time as it is possible.

Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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P. O. BOX # 1887.
PITTSBURGH, PA.



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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
MAR 12 1935 A.M.
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Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O. #1234;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases I.O. #1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases I.O. #1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases I.O. #1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases I.O. #1240;
MYRTLE KATCH with aliases I.O. #1241;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication of March 8, 1935, addressed to the Jacksonville Bureau Office, wherein the Pittsburgh Office was requested to conduct certain investigation at the Packard Motor Company in Pittsburgh, Pa., for the purpose of ascertaining whether Harry Sawyer, either under his name, or the alias of Harry Sandovich, purchased a Packard automobile or had one serviced there since he became a fugitive.

Inquiries at the Packard Company disclosed that Sawyer, contrary to information furnished by Mr. E. Corlitz, Field Service Man of the said company, did not purchase nor had a car serviced in Pittsburgh. Mr. Corlitz, of Detroit, happened to be present at the time the inquiry was made and assisted in the search of the records, to no avail. He stated that he remembers having seen Sawyer somewhere but is unable to state the locality. Mr. Corlitz stated, also, that it is his impression that prior to leaving Detroit on his trip to Pittsburgh he understood from Mr. Ibar, the man of the Packard Company contacted by Special Agents of the Detroit Office, that Sawyer or the car he was alleged to have been driving was located somewhere in New Jersey, possibly Newark, the night of Friday, March 8, 1935.

Mr. Gerlitz suggested that if the car or Sawyer has not been located, the best manner to locate them is by distributing, through the Detroit Office of the Packard Motor Company, an identification order to all Packard dealers and Packard service stations throughout the country.

This information is being conveyed to you inasmuch as you may concur with this suggestion made by Mr. Gerlitz and make such arrangements at Detroit, if they have not already been done.

Very truly yours,

J. J. WATERS.
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau
Chicago (E.J. Connelley)
St. Paul
Boston
Pittsburgh
Philadelphia

P. O. BOX 1166,
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 11, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is had to Director's letter of March 8,
requesting my reporting to Mr. Clegg in Washington on March 25,
1935 for an assignment of four weeks.

Please be advised I am in receipt of a letter from
the St. Paul Office today, informing me that I am a necessary and
material witness against persons now in custody at Saint Paul in
the Bremer Kidnaping Case, which case will be started in Federal
Court at Saint Paul the second week in April, 1935. In view of this,
it would appear that I could not complete the four-weeks' training,
if I were to report in Washington on March 25.

I would very much appreciate the opportunity to
complete the full four-weeks' assignment with Mr. Clegg. Will you
please advise me what steps you desire me to take?

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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March 7, 1935

Honorable L. E. Futch
County Judge
Ocala, Florida

Dear Judge Futch:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE -
I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

I am sending you by Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, today, the following property which was obtained by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, during an official investigation, from the house in which Kate and Fred Barker were residing at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935, for examination and inspection:

Two wooden boxes containing a large assortment of miscellaneous men's and women's wearing apparel, boots and shoes.

Four traveling bags containing three ladies' pocketbooks, one brown brief case, one clock, one black bill fold, three pairs ladies' gloves, a woman's over-night bag containing miscellaneous women's articles and other miscellaneous toilet articles.

One Philco table model radio, serial number 7 74590.

The shipment consists of three wooden boxes and four traveling bags.

The above property is being turned over to you for appropriate disposition under the probate laws of the state of Florida since the apparent owners, Kate and Fred Barker, are now deceased.

Your splendid cooperation with the Bureau during this investigation is indeed appreciated.

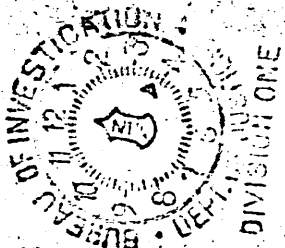
BC Saint Paul
E. J. Connelley - Chicago

Very truly yours,

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R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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(Department or Establishment and Bureau or Service)

(Appropriation chargeable)

Jacksonville, Florida

(Issuing office)

GOVERNMENT BILL
OF LADING
MEMORANDUM COPY

R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation

March 7, 1935
(Date issued)

Received from R. A. Alt, Special Agent in Charge
(Consignor)

by the Railway Express Agency the public property hereinafter described
(Name of transportation company)

in apparent good order and condition (contents and value unknown), to be forwarded subject to conditions stated on the reverse hereof,

from Jacksonville, Florida to Ocala, Florida
(Shipping point) (Destination)

by the said company and connecting lines, there to be delivered in like good order and condition to L. E. Futch, County Judge
(Consignee)

Ocala, Florida

via

(Route journey only when some substantial interest of the Government is subserved thereby)

| MARKS | NUMBERS ON PACKAGES | NUMBER AND KIND OF PACKAGES | DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (Observe strictly carrier's freight classification. Avoid trade or technical names) | WEIGHTS* |
|-------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------|
| | | 3 wooden boxes | Containing miscellaneous men's and women's wearing apparel, boots and shoes | 272 |
| | | 4 | Traveling bags containing miscellaneous toilet articles, etc. | 60 |
| | | | Value \$100 | |

† Size car ordered _____ ft. Size car furnished _____ ft. Date furnished _____ Initials _____ Car No. _____

TARIFF AUTHORITY
(To be filled in by general office rendering account)

AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT

Railway Express Agency
(Name of transportation company)

March 7, 1935 Per _____
(Date) (Agent)

CERTIFICATE OF ISSUING OFFICER

(To be filled out when this bill of lading is issued for use by contractor in making shipment)

Contract No. _____, or Purchase Order No. _____, dated _____, 19____

(F. O. B. point named in contract)

(CARRIER'S RIGHTS TO SHIPPING CHARGES NOT AFFECTED BY FACTS SET OUT IN THIS CERTIFICATE)

(Issuing officer)

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* Show also cubic measurement for shipments via ocean carrier in cases where required.

† Furnish this information in case of carload shipments only.

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P. O. Box 115, St. Paul, Minn.

March 8, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelly,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1218;
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MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; Et al.;
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
St. Paul File 7-30.

Please refer to my letter of the fourth instant relative to the claim of the subject EYON BOLTON with the Veterans Administration Facilities.

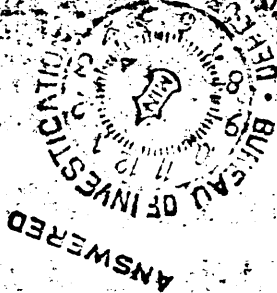
I am attaching hereto a letter addressed to one EYON H. BOLTON St. Paul by W. B. Nugent, Adjudication Officer, Veterans Administration Facility, Hines, Illinois, which letter should have been attached to above referred to communication of March 4th.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1935

Time - 12:40 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ⁰Bremer Case.

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Agent Norris telephoned from the St. Louis Office with reference to efforts being made by that office to effect the apprehension of Willie Harrison. He stated that last evening, the office sent May Green, a confidential informant, out to interview Mrs. Harrison, mother of Willie Harrison. At this time, Mrs. Harrison indicated that there was a detective next door. In this connection, Mr. Norris informed that Agent Buchanan of the St. Louis Office is in fact maintaining surveillance of this place from a spot next door. He requested advice as to whether or not this surveillance should be discontinued.

I informed him that in view of the above facts, it would not seem desirable to maintain this surveillance. Mr. Norris stated that the only doubt in his mind is whether or not he should be removed immediately, since this action might tend to throw the suspicion of Mrs. Harrison on May Green, the informant. I told him that in view of this, Buchanan should be left there for a day or so, after which he should be withdrawn. However, in view of the fact that they know he is there, Buchanan should take strong precautions as to his own safety.

Mr. Norris informed that a plan of logical exit for Buchanan is being worked out, and the same will be executed within the next day or so and his leaving will be effected so as to not embarrass the informant.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM
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503A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
March 8, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING. S.L. File 7-27.

Please be advised that the confidential informant
mentioned in report of Special Agent J.T. McLoughlin, Salt Lake
City, Utah, dated 3-8-35, on page 5, is [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

John A. Dowd

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 11, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive,
Identification Order #1218, et al
Edward G.P. Bremer, victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Special Agent K. E. McIntire is being transferred to the St. Paul Office. Upon his arrival there the Bureau desires that he be assigned immediately to the preparation of summary reports upon the Bremer case. The Bureau desires that a separate summary report be submitted upon each of the individuals who has been indicted for participation in this case. Special Agent J. E. Brennan should be assigned to assist Agent McIntire in the preparation of these summary reports.

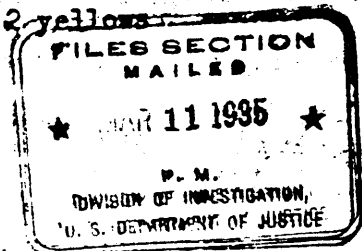
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 2, 1935

Time - 10:10 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Tamm
Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office and stated that he had just received a telephone call from Agent Brown in Havana who stated that telegrams have been located over there which definitely connect Joe Adams and Nathan Heller of the Park View Hotel in Havana with the above; that these telegrams were exchanged with reference to the Barker-Karpis gang; that Agent Brown wished to take an airplane this afternoon, if authorized, to Miami to discuss this matter with Mr. Hanson and the United States Attorney. Mr. Alt stated that he granted such authority, in that the plane to be used is merely a commercial one; that Mr. Brown will return to Havana in the morning.

Mr. Alt stated that Agent Brown informed him that they have the car which belonged to Karpis there, and he wanted to talk to the United States Attorney about confiscating this car and bringing it back to the United States, which he thinks can be done under the Cuban laws; that he also thinks that the Cuban authorities will let us have a very valuable motor boat which Karpis had. Mr. Alt stated that Brown has instructions to the effect that unless he is instructed to the contrary, he is to proceed to Miami at 2:30 this afternoon and telephone Mr. Alt immediately upon his arrival at Miami; that in the meantime, he is to do nothing about the car or the motor boat; that in this connection, he can be reached through Mr. Hanson at Miami.

With reference to the property down there, Mr. Alt stated that he would assume full responsibility for the shipment of the money and the diamonds. With reference to the boxes of clothing, etc., I told him to turn these over to the coroner, who is the one to administer such matters. With reference to the other luggage, bags, etc., I told him to write a letter to the coroner informing him that this material will be returned to him as soon as it has been checked.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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DIRECTOR

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February 7, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Volney Davis, who was indicted at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935 for participating in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, was located and apprehended by Division Agents in Kansas City, Missouri yesterday afternoon. A waiver of removal was obtained from him and he was placed in a chartered airplane for transportation to Chicago, Illinois. The airplane was forced down due to weather conditions, near Yorkville, Illinois, after dark last evening. In the resulting confusion surrounding the forced landing of the airplane in a corn field near Yorkville, Davis succeeded in making his escape from the custody of the Agents. Strenuous efforts are being made to reapprehend him.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
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Mr. Coffey.....
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January 28, 1935

MEMORANDUM

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Re: FRED AND KATE BARKER,
Killed While Resisting Arrest.

On January 8, 1935 the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation took into custody Arthur R. Barker. Subsequently his apartment was searched and there was found a map of the State of Florida on which were pencilled markings around Ocala, Florida, and Lake Weir. This information coincided with that furnished by Byron Bolton alias Monte Carter, who was also taken into custody by the Chicago Division Office on the evening of January 8, 1935 coincident with the killing of Russell Gibson while resisting arrest. In giving the information relative to the whereabouts of other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, Bolton was unable to furnish specific names and directions. He did, however, state that the hide-away was located in the central northern part of Florida on an inland fresh water lake famous to persons in that community by reason of the fact that an alligator known as "Big Joe" lived in it. Bolton also advised that members of the gang had participated in deer hunts on the trip made to Florida shortly before his apprehension and three deer had been killed, and that Arthur R. Barker and Russell Gibson had brought a considerable portion of the deer carcasses to Chicago with them.

It was on this information that a squad of fourteen Agents from the Chicago Division Office proceeded to Jacksonville, Florida, and within two days after their arrival had located the house on Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida. Investigation in the vicinity disclosed that this house was occupied by Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker and that it had been frequented by numerous other persons, usually late at night. Arrangements were made to surround the house on the morning of January 16, 1935. The Agent in charge of the raiding party approached the front of the house around 7:00 A.M. and commanded Kate Barker, who appeared at the front door, to surrender. She was heard to say "Let it go", whereupon the Agent was fired upon, about fifty shots striking the ground in the vicinity where he was standing. The other Agents immediately returned the fire, which appeared to be coming from a second floor window. The firing continued for approximately four hours, after which the house was entered and the bodies of Kate and Fred Barker were located in a second floor bedroom. Both had been firing machine guns which were found on the floor next to their dead bodies. A quantity of guns and ammunition and four bullet-proof vests were recovered.

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The local coroner, after a hearing, held that the decedents had come to their deaths while resisting arrest by the use of firearms.

Investigation disclosed that the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker was rented under the name of T. C. Blackburn from Carson Bradford, who is President of the Biscayne Kennel Club. It appears that members of the Barker-Karpis gang had been associating with Joe Adams, General Manager of the Biscayne Kennel Club and also Manager of the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, Florida.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 11, 1935.

AIR MAIL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fug. - I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases - Fug. - I.O. #1237; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to recent communications concerning a letter received by the manager of the Beaumont Apartments, 3028 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri and mailed at St. George, Utah, the handwriting of which has been identified by the Bureau's Laboratory as that of Volney Davis.

As the Bureau has been previously advised, arrangements have been made with the manager of the Beaumont Apartments, Mrs. Schupan, whereby the personal effects left by Davis in the apartment have been stored in a locker in the basement of the building. Mrs. Schupan, upon receipt of any inquiries concerning these personal effects, will advise the inquirer that the key to the locker has been misplaced and in endeavoring to locate the key she will have an opportunity to communicate with this office. She has been furnished with the home telephone numbers of the writer and of Special Agents H. E. Andersen and W. E. Miller in addition to the office telephone number, in order that we may receive immediate notification regardless of the time of day or night such inquiries might be made. In addition, this office is contacting Mrs. Schupan periodically to determine whether or not there has been any developments which she has not reported. From my contact with this woman I am of the opinion that she will cooperate to the fullest extent with us.

During my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm on March 4, 1935, I requested advice as to the desirability of stationing Agents at the Beaumont Apartments against the possible return of Davis. At that time Mr. Tamm advised me that he did not consider this procedure necessary in view of the fact that it might tie up the Agents for an

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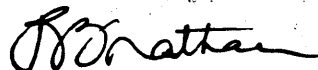
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extended period. I realize that this is true and that the probability of the return of Davis to this address is perhaps not very great. However, I don't think that we should take any chance of missing him should he return, or of obtaining all possible information should he send someone else for the clothing.

The Beaumont Apartments are approximately 22 blocks from this office, and, roughly, the same distance from that section of Kansas City in which most of the Agents assigned to this office reside. Should a telephone call be received during the day time it would be possible to have Agents proceed from the office to the apartment in approximately 20 minutes. About the same time would be required for Agents to proceed from their residences to the apartment. However, in such an event those Agents proceeding from their homes would not be in a position to have any arms, except their side arms.

I can't help but believe that the safer procedure in handling this matter would be to station two Agents at the Beaumont Apartments for a period of not to exceed thirty days in order that there might be no possibility of a slip-up in this matter. Such a procedure would not be desirable from the standpoint of tying up those Agents, but I do not think that we should overlook any possibilities. I would, accordingly, appreciate the advice of the Bureau in the matter.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Mr. Connelly, Chicago
cc - St. Paul

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March 13, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
Identification Order #1218, et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of March 11, 1935, advising of your belief that two Agents should be assigned to duty at the Beaumont Apartments in Kansas City for a period of not to exceed thirty days, in order that if Volney Davis or anyone representing him calls to obtain possession of Davis' personal effects, appropriate steps may be taken by the Bureau. In view of your recommendations, the Bureau will defer to your judgment in this matter, and you are authorized to assign a suitable number of Agents to this point to handle any situation that may arise there. The maintenance of this surveillance should be continued as long as you deem it necessary.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 9, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. 1218, et al; EDWARD G. BREMER -
Victim: KIDNAPING

Mr. Nathan
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Complaint was filed March 5, 1935, at Kansas City, Missouri, against Doris O'Conner, charging her with harboring Jess Doyle. She is being held in default of bond in the amount of \$7500.

The trial of Arthur R. Barker, et al, for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, is set for the second week in April. A summary report is being prepared at the St. Paul Bureau Office.

There are no likely leads outstanding indicating the whereabouts of the 10 fugitive identification order subjects still at large in this case.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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March 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

RE: BRUNO AUSTIN alias "Whitie"

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On January 22, 1935 an indictment was returned at St. Paul, Minnesota charging Alvin Karpis and others, including an individual known as "Whitie", who has since been identified as one Bruno Austin, with conspiracy to kidnap Edward G. Bremer.

The Bureau during its investigation, looking to the apprehension of Austin, learned that he had been arrested by representatives of the State's Attorney's office at Chicago, Illinois on January 20, 1935 on charges of robbery and bond jumping. Investigation disclosed that Austin, whose correct name is Bruno Putis, was closely associated with Russell Gibson. Gibson was shot and killed while resisting arrest at Chicago, Illinois on January 8, 1935. Austin was arrested on January 20, 1935 just after he had been married.

On November 28, 1932 Austin was sentenced to six months in the House of Correction at Chicago, Illinois and fined \$100 for the crime of auto larceny. On April 16, 1934 he was arrested by the Police Department at Berwyn, Illinois on charges of assault to kill. This case was later dismissed. On June 9, 1934 Austin was arrested by the Police Department, Chicago, Illinois on charge of robbery with a gun and was released under \$10,000 bond and failing to put in an appearance as required, and under this bond was again arrested on January 20, 1935, as related above.

The Federal Government is proceeding against Austin as one of the conspirators in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby.

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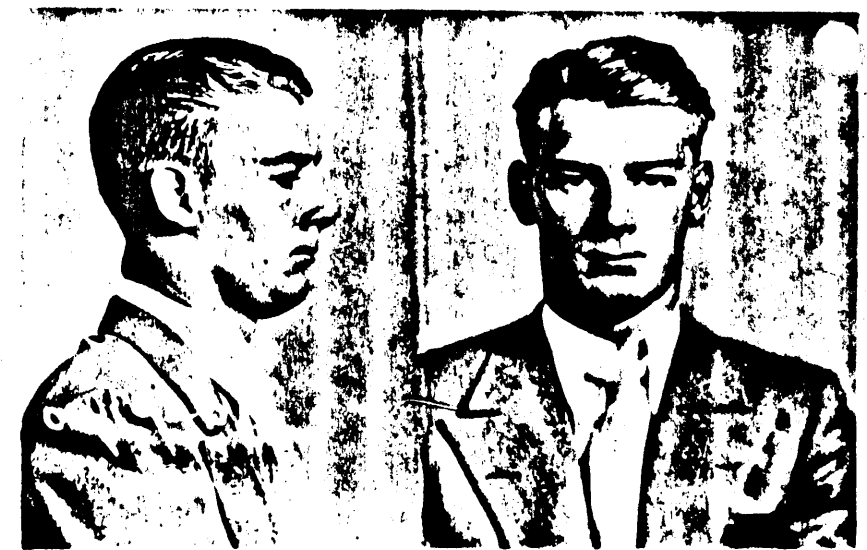
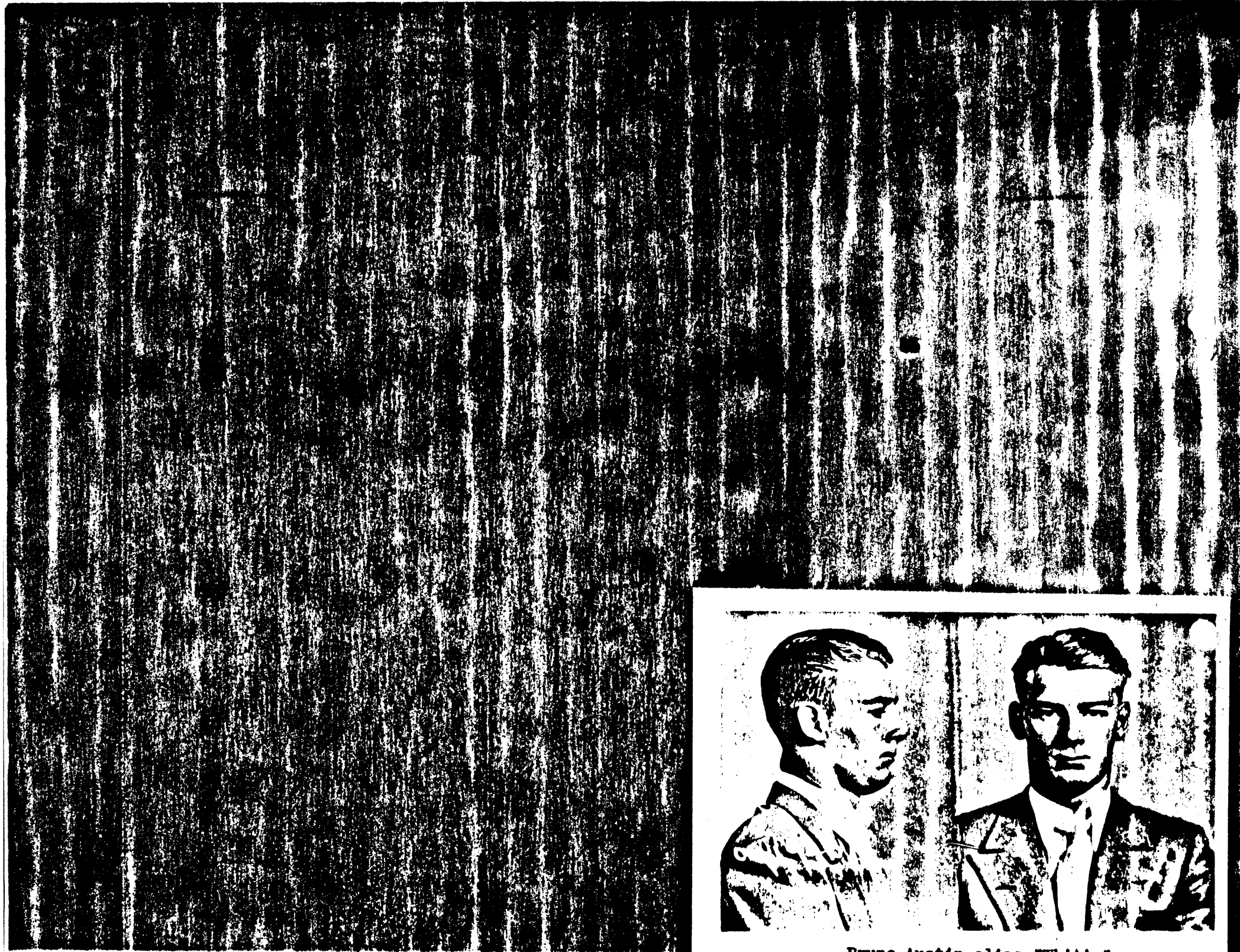
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Bruno Austin alias "Whittier"

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1935

Time - 10:55 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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Miss Gandy.....

Mr. R. B. Nathan telephoned from the Kansas City Office requesting my advice as to the continuance of the surveillance being maintained at the apartment formerly occupied by the alleged "Leo". Mr. Nathan stated that the rent on the apartment was up last night, and the manager of the house wants to try to re-rent the same. He further stated that the story about the nitro glycerin being in the apartment has gotten through to the papers, possibly through the Sheriff's Office, and he believes it highly improbable that any of the parties in question will return. He stated that they abandoned the apartment completely when they fled, and only a small amount of clothing remains, which clothing is claimed by Spike Lane, who is in custody; that Lane is trying to get a lawyer to claim the same for him.

I informed Mr. Nathan that under the circumstances, it would seem advisable to discontinue surveillance of this apartment; that as far as the personal property is concerned, we will have absolutely nothing to do with it.

With reference to the nitro glycerin, Mr. Nathan informed that rather blaring headlines have appeared in the papers about it; that he believes the information emanated from the Sheriff's Office there, although the Sheriff's Office denies that they gave out the information. He further informed that the representative of the Hercules Powder Company took the nitro out of the apartment and blew it up; that two of the containers actually contained nitro, while the other did not. Mr. Nathan stated that he is forwarding to the Bureau clippings about this matter together with a letter of explanation of the circumstances surrounding its discovery and disposition.

Mr. Nathan stated that he would discontinue surveillance of the apartment immediately.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 27, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

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| Mr. Tamm | |
| Mr. Tracy | |
| Miss Gandy | |

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith communication dated February 19, 1935, over the signature of William S. Cuthbert, Commissioner of Public Safety, Atlantic City, which is self explanatory, together with my reply thereto.

You will note Mr. Cuthbert has referred to the fact it has been rumored there is some feeling between the Bureau and his department because of the rumor that the Atlantic City Police Department does not cooperate; also the Commissioner's statement to the effect that all of the members of his department are at our disposal at all times, and my reply that such feeling is mutual.

I intend to make a trip to Atlantic City as soon as possible in order to make the Commissioner's acquaintance, as well as the Chief of Police, and other officials.

The rumors referred to by the Commissioner of Public Safety apparently are the outgrowth of the recent investigation in the Alvin Karpis Case at Atlantic City. You will recall that the Atlantic City Police at first refused to turn over the Buick Sedan recovered from Karpis and later voluntarily turned the car over after some correspondence between this Bureau and the Atlantic City Police Department. I feel quite certain that any unfriendly feeling by this department has now been dissipated.

Very truly yours,

R.G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF
Public Safety
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.
WILLIAM S. CUTHBERT, COMMISSIONER

February 19, 1935

Mr. R. G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Penna

Dear Mr. Harvey:

It has recently been brought to my attention that there is some feeling between your Department and mine, because of a rumor that we do not cooperate with you.

As you well know, I have always made it a point to cooperate with your Department in any and every way possible, and personally meet most of your men sent to this district for investigation, etc. I have told your men repeatedly, and have written to their superiors that we are only too glad to cooperate with the members of your Department. All the members of my Department are at their disposal at any time in case they need assistance in an arrest, or to help with an investigation.

I would appreciate it if you will advise me if such a feeling does exist and if there is anything at all that we can do to cooperate with your Department to a fuller extent that we have been doing in the past.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

William S. Cuthbert
Director

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 27, 1935.

Mr. William S. Cuthbert,
Commissioner, Department of Public Safety,
Atlantic City, N.J.

My dear Commissioner:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 19, 1935, which was not acknowledged because of the fact that I was out of the city.

In reference to your statement to the effect that it has been rumored your department does not cooperate with this Bureau, I am of the opinion that such a rumor is entirely false. I have noted no instance wherein your department has failed to render cooperation to this Bureau.

Director J. Edgar Hoover of this Bureau has always stressed complete cooperation between the Bureau and law enforcement agencies, and I am quite certain that you are aware of the Director's policy in this regard. I want you to know that insofar as the Bureau is concerned, there is only a feeling of friendliness and good will for your department. I am appreciative of the fact that your department has always exhibited a cooperative attitude in connection with any investigative matters of mutual interest, and it is rather unfortunate if any rumors have been circulated indicating a feeling exists between the two departments.

I am personally acquainted with a number of your officers and in every instance your men have exhibited a friendly and cooperative spirit. I appreciate the sentiment expressed in your letter to the effect that all members of your department are ready and willing to work in conjunction with this Bureau at any time. You may rest assured this feeling is mutual.

I hope to have the opportunity of making your personal acquaintance in the near future.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am.

Very truly yours,

R.G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has received your letter of February 27, 1935, with which you enclosed a letter addressed to you on February 19 by William S. Cuthbert, Director of Public Safety, Atlantic City, New Jersey, together with a copy of your reply thereto, dated February 27.

It is noted that your reply indicates that proper cooperation has been afforded the Bureau by the Atlantic City Police Department and by Mr. Cuthbert. As a matter of fact, it appears that Mr. Cuthbert, if newspaper reports are correct, criticized the Bureau for failing to advise him of the identities of the persons who went to Atlantic City from Florida and who developed to be Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. The facts of the matter are that the Bureau did not know the identities of the persons occupying the stolen car in question and, further, that the dangerous character of the individuals was clearly brought out in the police broadcast.

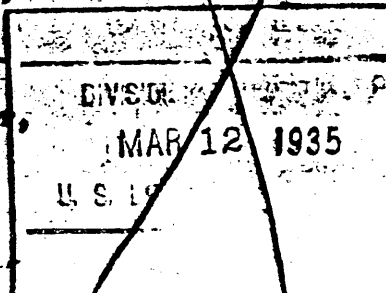
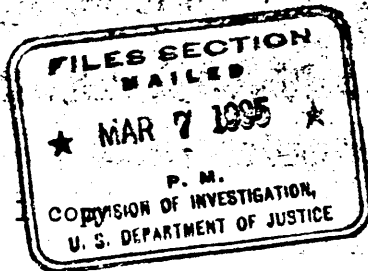
It is unfortunate that Director Cuthbert was critical in this matter since, as stated, the Bureau could not have furnished the identities of the persons proceeding to Atlantic City.

In any event, it is felt that, before writing a communication such as you addressed to Mr. Cuthbert concerning a matter of cooperation, you should communicate with the Washington headquarters of the Bureau in order that you may be furnished any available information concerning a matter of this kind.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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March 11, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In regard to the attached memorandum prepared by Special Agent in Charge Alt under date of January 31, 1935, I want to call your attention to the first paragraph on the second page, wherein it is stated that a woman in Cuba identified the picture of Karpis and communicated with the American Vice-Consul at Mantanzas the day after Karpis and Delaney left. It is stated that the Vice-Consul apparently took no interest in the report and told the lady to get in touch with the Ambassador in Havana. It might be well to ascertain the date of this incident and then to prepare a carefully worded letter to the State Department, making inquiry as to the facts from its records.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Incl.

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-4980

Specimens: Miscellaneous Material

Examination requested by: Mr. Newby

Date received: 3-28-35

Examination requested: Handwriting

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering.

Material examined

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:HAM.

March 12

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the originals of letters and envelopes, one addressed to Mrs. Edith G. McDonald, 500 Trombley Road, Grosse Point Park, Michigan, and one addressed to Senator James H. Lewis, Washington, D. C., both of which letters bear the return address of Kehoe and Kehoe, Attorneys, Miami, Florida, and which letters were intercepted by the jailor, Dade County Jail, Miami, on March 8, 1935, in possession of Federal prisoners being removed from the Dade County Jail to the Federal Penitentiary in Atlanta. The author of both of these communications is Cassius M. McDonald with aliases, a Subject in the Alvin Karpis with aliases; et al - Edward George Bremer - Victim - Kidnaping case.

The above mentioned letters were mailed to Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling by the aforementioned jailor, who in turn handed them to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent, Miami, Florida, who transmitted them to the Jacksonville Office. Agent Fitzsimons conferred with the Post Office Inspector at Miami, who advised that inasmuch as the letters had not been placed in the mails prior to their interception they could be opened and the contents noted, after which Agent Fitzsimons opened the letter addressed to Mrs. McDonald, portions of which appear to be attempts on the part of Cassius McDonald to coach her as to possible testimony in his behalf, particularly concerning his activities on or about December 29, 1934. This letter also contains remarks concerning you and statements alleged to have been made by Special Agent in Charge Hanson of the Birmingham Office and Agents McKee and Brown while they were in this district conducting investigation in this case. Special Agent in Charge Larson of the Detroit Office, as well as other Agents, is mentioned. Reference is also made to Attorney General Cummings and other officials.

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ack
4/5/35
cc - St Paul
Detroit
Connelly
Q&A

To: The Director

March 12, 1935

The letter addressed to Senator Lewis was not opened.

The matter of having photostatic copies of these letters made and copies of same to be furnished appropriate field offices is being left to your discretion. The thought has occurred to me that perhaps it would be better after you review these letters and copies are made that the originals be returned to the Jacksonville Office for mailing from Miami in order to avoid any unfavorable comment concerning the postmark. This is being left to your judgment.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

Enclosures: Two letters

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 4 - 35

Dear Edith:-

Your wire received in reference to being unable to get bond with full security New Bailing Bonding Co. Also reference Judge having Bernard taking care of same.

You say in letter notified no details in Detroit or Washington

May be I am not in jail, but I am positively.

You say May have to go to Florida?

You say Have loan arranged?

Wait with bond, you are advised by whom? Only take Judges word I wired you Postal advise, sent 2 wires 3/4/35

Rankin, did not reduce Bond to \$15,000, Kehoe states, he can not find record of reduction at Clerks office or Marshall offices. Looks like Rankin only wanted that \$250.00

Give Mr Kehoe letter today from Senator Lewis & Counsel General Cameron on Cuban Matter Letters forward Feb 7 Washington to you Havena back to Washington Back care of Rankin, to Kehoe to me, March 4th 35.

About loan you handle your own money in all matters understand Dont let any one bull you dear on spending money for no results

About letters and files at home go over things see if Coastacks took personal letters on N.R.A. work. Also from White House & etc. Check over everything. Has Claude names (?) of Dept Justice Men who came into house. What they said & Did

I believe Mr. Larson in Charge of Detroit office and a gentleman I am informed. Joe - B - Can find out far you for searched home, did they have warrant?

Mr. Kehoe asking for reduction of Bond to 5000. You contact him with Bernard. But I think that the only action from Conference in Washington. Some one hiding behind this whole picture, or Circuit Court Appeals

As Agents MacKay & Brown who came back from Cuba with a Mr. Heller, whose bond was reduced to 1000. from \$25000 Mr. Adams 25,000 to 10,000, Mr Randles from 25000 to 10,000. But mine same. I came

back from Cuba own free will

Mr Heller said, Dept. Agents Mack & Brown was thrown in jail Cuba by Government for trying to kidnap me out. Also Cuban papers raising hell. Cabinet Resigned and 400,000 on strike. Write Heller for papers.

Agents Brown & McKay said to me what does Mr Caffery now think of you McDonald, we told him you have a long criminal record. I said you lie McKay & Brown only just what you are trying to make me.

Ask Washington for all files Dept Justice 1934-35 investigation they made in Cuba & Detroit of me

James H. Lewis, Senator Cousens, Senator Vandenberg, X Consul Darnmont (?), Consul Cameron, Sec. Cardenas (?), Attorney General & President Mandata of Cuba. Have Attorney General Cummings & J. E. Hoover go over whole matter in Washington. Senators Lewis, Cousens, & Vandenberg can make request. Have Judge write for appointment and go to Washington with you. If not time will fly by and I will still be in without being able to get witnesses in my defense. But I think whole matter can be cleared in Washington.

Just explain what happened in Cuba, on Dec - 29 - 35 day before I sailed I bought ticket for boat with you 11:30 A.M. at East Coast Office played golf supper at 7 P.M. Cottage with Mrs (?) Phillips picture show in Biscayne Bed at 11:30 P.M. Sunday morning church on Beach at 11 A.M., Near Flumer Beans Brokan (?) 2:30 at Louis back to Hotel 4 P.M. Bath packed and you took me to boat in car, Stell, Bill, Mrs. M. & I

Div. Chief Hanson claims I sent wire to Okawaha Fla to Man name Blackburn. Sent at 3:45 P.M. Dec - 29 - 34 Western Union stating want to see you some. signed, Cash. I dont know a darn thing about it, was with you, & Ball Saturday night & etc. Saw Joe & Mrs. Miller

I remember as we where putting car in parking lot at Everglades went to Bed at 11:30 P.M. Dec - 29 - 34.

You will have to to contest Louis M.H. Howe, Secretary to President. I wrote him, whole thing looks like political enenys, some place trying to blacken my character with country starting 1934 Cuba, Detroit 1934 Cuba 1935.

This man Bremer St. Paul I dont know him. heard story about him fixing case, Income tax, for California Clubs Baron Long ed (?) Mintakie (?) was the pay off on the fix Internal Revenue Dept., Also ran Brewery in Dry days St. Paul without trouble, and did business with National Committee & ran Campaign in 1932 Minnesota, of course I do not know him personally never heard of him until this case, and I

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am not going to be made goat for a lot of politicians fighting. Like
they did in Michigan last November 1934.

Get your maid Louis give Claude a week off. Love to all at
home dear and things will change, when you show true facts in Washing-
ton same as Cuba angles.

Love & kisses

(signed) Mae

Did Mr. Rankin ask you about C. E. Turkey of Henshaw Wis., He is
Marathon paper Co., Logging at Stickleys

When you go to Washington with Judge you see Senator Lewis
alone and tell him about how they are trying to frame me for political
reasons and Cuban concessions, and how I withdrew from Comstock &
Pickard fight in Michigan, also withdrew support for Lacy. I don't
know about Mr. J. E. Hoovers appointment only that a man 3 years was
hunting at the Lodge, who is a personal friend of Attorney General
Cummings home City, and he may of wished appointment of Mr. Hoovers
position, but I was never asked personally to Convern him. Also
reports on M.R.A. Selective logging C. E. Smith M.R.A. may of had
reports from Dept Justice not true as to facts in Upper Michigan
selective logging

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

DADE COUNTY
P. O. Box 3038
MIAMI, FLORIDA

7-576-4980

Mr .W.SANDERS.GRAMLING,
U.S.Dist Attorney,
FEDERAL BUILDING,
MIAMI, Fla.



March 4-3

Dear Edith:-

Your were received in
reference to being unable to get
bond with full security new
Ruling Bonding Co. Also reference
Judge having Barnard taking
care of case.

You say in letter - Notified
the details by letter to Washington

May 12. I am not afraid, but I
am positively

you say May 12 to go to Florida?

you say I have loan arranged?

Wait with bond you are advised
by whom? Only take Judge's word

I wish you could advise. That 2 were

Rankin did not reduce. Rep
to 15,000, Kehoe states, he cannot find

record of redemption at Clerk's office
of Marshall office. Looks like

Rankin only wanted that 25,000

Mr. Kehoe letter to de

from Superior Lewis & Council

General Cameron in Cuba matter
letter forward Feb 7 Washington

to 4/10 Havana back to Washington
Bank case of Runkin to Kehoe
to me, March 4th 35.

About loan you handle your
own money in all matters under-
stand. Don't let anyone bill you
clear on spending money for no results.

About letters and files at home go
over things see if Crossacks took
personal letter on N.R.A. work.

Also from White House & etc. Check
over everything. Has Claude names
of kept picture men who came
into house. What they said & did.

I believe Mr. Ferson in charge
of Detroit office and a gentleman
I am informed. For 2-13. Can find
out for you for church home, did they have

Mr. Kehoe asking for records
of Bend to 5000 April contact from
with Bureau. But I think that the
only matter from Conference

is working the home one hiding
behind this whole picture. MacArthur
as Agents McKay & Brown
who came back from Cuba

with a Mr. Keller, whose
Bond was reduced to 1000 pounds
Mr Adams 2500 to 10,000 Mr
Rauley from 2500 to 1000. But win
same. Came back from Cuba on free will

Mr Keller said, kept agents Mack & Bur
you thrown in jail Cuba by Government
for trying to kidnap me out. Also Cuba
papers running hell. Cabinet Resign
and 40000 on strike. Write Heller for paper

Aggett's Brown & McKay said to me
what does Mr Coffey now think
of you. McDonald said told him
you have a long criminal record
He said you lie McKay & Brown only
just what you are trying to make me

Ask Washington for all files
Dept Justice 1934-35 investigate
they make Cuba & Dept of Justice

James H. Lewis, Senator Cousens,
Senator Underberg & Oswald Summit,
Council Question, Sec. Anderson, Attorney
General & President Medd of Cuba
His Attorney General Cummings & J. H. H.
go over whole matter in Washington

Senators Lewis, Coase, & Vandenberg
can make request. Had Judge
write for appointment and go to
Washington with you. If not time will
fly by and Cyril will be in worse
shape able to get witnesses in my
defense. But I think whole matter
can be cleared in Washington.
Just explain what happened
in Cuba, on Dec-29-35 day before
I sailed I bought ticket to Baltimore
11:30 AM at East Coast Office played
golf. Supper at 7 PM. Cottage with
Miss Phillips picture show in Biscayne
Bed at 11:30 PM. Sunday Morning Church
on Beach at 11 AM, near Turner
Beane Perkins 2:30 at Fours back to
Hotel 4 PM. Bath, packed and with
me to boat in car. Stee, Bee, Mrs. M + 3
Went to Oklawaha Fla. to Mary Ann
Blackburn. Sent at 3:45 PM. Dec-29-35
you come signed. Look! I don't know a
damn thing about it was with you, Bee
Saturday night & etc. Saw Dr. & Mr. Miller

I am as usual here putting
out my parking lot at Everglades.
Went to bed at 1130 P.M. Dec-24-34.

You will have to contact Louis
McH. Howe, Secretary to President, I
wrote him, whole thing looks like
political thing, some place trying
to blacken my character with
country starting 1934 Cuba, Sept 1934 Cuba 1936

This man, Bremer St Paul I don't
know him. Heard story about him fixing
Case Income tax for California. He
was the Pay off on the fire National
Revenue Dept. Also saw Bremer in
Dry ^{ST PAUL} dump without trouble and did
business with National Committee &
Franklin D. Roosevelt ¹⁹³² Minnesota, of course.

I do not know him ^{PERSONALLY} never heard of
him until this case and I am not
going to make a goat for a lot
of politicians fighting like they
did in Michigan last November 1934.

Let your maid ^{Louis} give Claude a week
off for to see at home dear and
things will change when you show
the facts in Washington. For the
same as Cuba angles. OVER Mac

Did Mr. Rabin say you are + C. G. Hawkey?
When you go to Washington with
Oulge you see several Jews alone
and tell him about how they are
trying to frame me for Police abuse
and other offenses, and how
you will draw from Gustick Richard
"Right in Michigan", who withdrew support
for Long. I don't know about this.

Mr. Hoover's appointment only that
a Bureau was handling at the
Lodge, who is a personal friend of
Attorney General Cummings' home city, and
he may of wished appointment of
Mr. Hoover's position, but I was never
asked personally to comment on
also reports on H. R. A. Selection Loggia
C. B. Smith H. R. A. may of had reports from
Kent Justice not true as to facts with Michigan

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WRITE MR HELLAR A COPY OF
PAPERS ON THE CASE IN CUBA HE WILL
SEND THEM TO YOU.

Mr Rogelio Collozo
Notte 25 Mariana Habana Cuba
You had better write him to
obtain reports police kept Cuba
on my arrest. Also Mr. Gidens
report Attorney General & President's
Mendoza on the for my release. Hoover
Council Chamber in White House
Lewis & Clark letter to Mr. Robert M. La Follette
Click it comes back to me now
Hanson
My first justice agent said I was trying
to get G. E. Hoover's job in Washington
Some one made that remark to me
Mr. Hoover next a guarantee I know
Nothing about Mr. Hoover's job. But can see
behind the picture I think some one
is too close a friend of
Mr. Hoover's
Make the records of his life
these facts you will need them

W. L. H. General Cummings had been up to Camp hunting
about 3 years and from Mr. Cummings
home city may be the one, or make
remarks, as to Mr. J. E. Hoover's position
Mr. Hoover has put them in the
wrong light, as I have not used any
political angles against Mr. Hoover or his
actions. Mr. Hoover kept asking
me about Mr. Hoover's position & I was
trying to get Mr. Hoover's point. Mr. Hoover
reappointed March 4-35 & I understand
Mr. The dicta Cabinet has all
assigned and he is going on in Cuba
It is funny to hear Mr. Hoover
has no interest in my case. Maybe Dept
has given out orders to inform them but
I am in fact I know that is a fact.
Keep your heart dear and
there is one out OK. But you
will have to use law & politics
in this matter. I think
Washington will be right.

March 5-35

Senator James Hamilton Lewis
Washington D.C.

My dear Senator-

Your letter and reply from
Counsel General Cameron of Cuba just
received by Rehos & Rehos Civic Building
Miami, who are acting with Judge Chas. D.
Burbitt of 311 Hammond Building Detroit
on my behalf.

Mrs. McDonnell has returned to her
home in Detroit, all broken up and
a mental wreck, on account of treatment
given her by Dept of Justice against Hoover.

Senator, this is some one behind
this whole picture from Dept. Justice
agents & Hoover's remarks. McDonnell goes
and trying to get J.E. Hoover's position
and he would keep on that object
on any times in the 24 hrs he held
me in the Hotel room to try and
make me confess to something &
know nothing about except paper
talk, and rumors that go around
in political circles.

As Concussions under trust laws
of Cuba will be of some great value
in future. My Contract calls for
\$150,000. Commissioners, Dept. Justice
have taken my brief case with contract

Bond \$25,000 Southern District
Florida Judge Ritter Assistant U.S. Attorney
Miami Fla.

My Bond is the only one held at
\$25,000 others have been reduced to as
low as \$10,000, same charges. I guess I
am the money person, who they
are trying to keep in lock.

Mr. McDonald offered Bond
in Detroit no result. Constitutional
guarantee in our country has not
been suspended to my knowledge

Only during Civil War. But it has
so in this matter by such a bond

Please ask Judge Bullett
of Detroit and Mr. McDonald to come
to Washington get all the facts in case
along with files. I beg to remain

Yours truly,
Cassius M. McDonald
4 Rehr & Rehr Care Building Miami

March 12

Senator Levin

More I have time to go over where we can look back to election Nov. 1932.

After elections about 15 of friends, from Michigan & Illinois make a trip to my hunting lodge in Upper Michigan to go over the subject of election of our President and to celebrate, bring Michigan into fold, and the costs of the fight.

One of the guests happened to be from Mr. Cummings home, and his name was suggested, But Senator Wells had first expectation. When I had spoke with in Cuba before March 4-5.

Three guests from Chicago, at the conference Hunting Lodge Nov. 15-32.

Now can see the reaction, some of the life goes, Washington has come over to back my name & character, so I control Cuban situation and by keeping the Congress without bond, of a man in a room. It is impossible for us to defend myself, as Washington before committee? Could this be done?

WOULD
I wish you to cooperate with
Senator Cramer, and Vandenberg of
Michigan. Ask for all the files of the
following:

Dept. of Justice Investigation of Walter
Cuba 1934-35 Files of Investigation, Notes
1934, and the replies.

X Counsel General Munro Cuba 1935

Counsel General Cameron 1934-35

President Mendive Cuba orders
for my release. Sec. of Interior Cramer
Report 1935. Attorney General of Cuba
Report. Secret Police & Judicial Police
Reports of Cuba, which are all favorable.

Mr. Coffey's interviews with
me & a Mr. Brown & McKay. Dept. Justice
agents, tried to make me tell them the
conversation with Mr. Coffey, which
I refused to do. Then he said he had
told Mr. Coffey your long criminal
record, which is not true. Walter. My
only record is what some one is now
trying to place on me. As I stated before
I got concessions in Cuba, by 4 years
work, and stepped upon some nation.

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7-576-4980

April 5, 1935.

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. H. A. Alt,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. 1218, et al,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There are returned herewith the originals of letters and envelopes, one addressed to Mrs. Edith G. McDonald, 500 Trembley Road, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, and one addressed to Senator James H. Lewis, Washington, D. C., both of which letters bear the return address of Kehoe and Kehoe, Attorneys, Miami, Florida. It is noted that these letters were intercepted by the jailor at the Dade County Jail, Miami, Florida, on March 8, 1935, when they were found in the possession of Federal prisoners who were about to be removed from the Dade County Jail to the Federal Penitentiary in Atlanta, Georgia.

There is also returned herewith one photostatic copy of the letter which was apparently taken from the envelope addressed to Mrs. Edith G. McDonald. A typewritten transcript has also been made, copies of which are inclosed herewith for your information and for the information of Special Assistant to the Attorney General Walter L. Barlow. You should consult Mr. Barlow concerning the propriety of returning the original letters to the jailor at the Dade County Jail with instructions that they be held by him, later to be introduced in evidence should they be desired.

No copies of the letter addressed to Senator James H. Lewis are being transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure 301522.
cc-St. Paul (with copy of let. to Mrs. McDonald)
Detroit
Mr. Connelley at Chicago

1 yellow

Chris

Immigration officer
brought these letters in
today. Took them from
prisoner who had taken
them out to mail

Joe

Mr. Tamm said he called Mr. Hoover about this.

Reference to you pages 3, 5 (back of page) and yellow sheet (6).

EAT

Snellville:

3/8/35

These letters were
being smuggled out
today, were taken
from some prisoners
going to Atlanta. They
have not opened them
but they might be if
willing to open or the
D.D. - please

Chad

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT #1 & UNIT #3

1935.

TO: ☒ Director
☐ Mr. Nathan
☐ Mr. Tolson
☐ Mr. Edwards
☐ Mr. Quinn
☐ Unit Two

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| <u> </u> Chief Clerk's Office | |

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 _____ Mr. Thompson
 _____ Mr. Chambers

_____ Miss Gandy
 _____ Mrs. Kelley
 _____ Miss McCarthy
 _____ Mr. Ward
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|------------------------|-------|
| <u>Correct</u> | Mr. S |
| <u>Re-write</u> | Mr. T |
| <u>Re-date</u> | Mr. T |
| <u>See me</u> | Miss |
| <u>Send file</u> | ----- |
| <u>Note and Return</u> | ----- |

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| | Mr. Edwards |
| | Mr. Egan |
| | Mr. Harbo |
| | Mr. Keith |
| | Mr. Lester |
| | Mr. Quinn |
| | Mr. Schilder |
| Direct | Mr. Smith |
| Write | Mr. Tamm |
| Date | Mr. Tracy |
| me | Miss Candy |
| l file | |
| and Return | |

Reference to you Page
3 5, (back of page) and
yellow sheet - (6)

E. A. Tamm - Room 5107.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

FILE NO. **7-4**

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|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-11-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3-7-35 | REPORT MADE BY: W. P. ELLWOOD dr |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; - VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1257 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1235, et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Silas Moline, Postal Railway Clerk of Sioux City, Iowa, reports that man by the name of Glidden stayed at a neighbors house about the time of the Bremer kidnaping and conducted himself in a suspicious manner. | | | |
| REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, St. Paul, dated January 19, 1935. | | | |
| DETAILS: At Sioux City, Iowa: Agent contacted Silas Moline at the offices of H. L. Stephenson, Chief Clerk, Railway Mail Service, Federal Building, for the purpose of securing possible information as outlined in the letter of reference. Mr. Moline said that he had been wanting to give this information to the proper authorities for sometime, but that he was at a loss as to the procedure involved. Most of the information that Moline had was in regard to an individual by the name of Glidden, last name unknown who has been staying at a neighbor's house at intervals for the last two years. The neighbor's name is C. A. Gotschall, and he is apparently a respectable individual, being engaged in the grocery business at Sioux City, Iowa. The first time Glidden came to the Gotschall home was in the spring of 1933. He was accompanied by a woman, presumably his wife, and stayed at the Gotschall home until about the middle of the summer. At this time, Moline had opportunity to observe Glidden, and became rather suspicious of his actions because he seemed to have no visible means of support and yet seemed to have plenty of money, wearing good clothes, and driving | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. P. Ellwood</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-4981 | RECORDED AND INDEX MAR 18 1935 |
| COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3 - Bureau 2 - Salt Lake City 2 - Omaha 1 - E. J. Connelley, Chicago | | 2 - St. Paul BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO ONE STAT. SE. | CHECKED OFF: MAR 15 1935 JACKETED: |

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a big car, the make of which Moline could not remember. Moline also noticed that the car driven by Glidden was often spattered with mud indicating that he had taken long trips. Glidden was out at night a good deal, and would come in often very late at night, although he never seemed to have any activity in the day time. There were also frequent visitors at the Gotschall home at this time, mostly cars bearing California license plates.

About the time of the Bremer kidnaping, Glidden and his wife returned to the Gotschall home, not having been there since the summer of 1933, and at this time Glidden left his wife at the Gotschall home and went on to Minneapolis according to information received by Moline. About February 8 or 9, Glidden's wife left the Gotschall home and flew to Minneapolis by plane. She explained her haste in getting to Minneapolis by saying that her husband was ill at Minneapolis. In a few days both Glidden and his wife returned and stayed at the Gotschall home for a few days more, and then left again. Moline said that he had seen Glidden come into the driveway of the Gotschall home once very late at night with the headlights of his car turned off, and that Glidden always seemed to avoid people.

Glidden and his wife next returned to the Gotschall home about the first of November, 1934, and on this visit stayed about one week. Moline took the license numbers on Glidden's car at this time, and found that they were Utah plates for 1934, No. 116-49. At this time, Mrs. Gotschall asked Moline's 12-year old son to mail a letter for her at the post office, and it was a letter addressed to Mrs. George H. Gilbert, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The following is a description of Mr. and Mrs. Glidden as obtained from Mr. Moline:

| | GLIDDEN | GLIDDEN'S WIFE |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Height: | 6 feet or little less | About 5 ft. 5 in. |
| Weight: | 170 pounds | 140 pounds |
| Age: | Slightly over 50 | About 40 |
| Hair: | Very gray, thinning | Black |
| Complexion: | Light | |
| Posture: | Very erect | |
| Dress: | Very well dressed. | |

Glidden and his wife have not returned to the Gotschall home since November, 1934. Agent exhibited pictures of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang to Moline, but he could not identify any of them as resembling Glidden.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE SALT LAKE CITY BUREAU OFFICE is requested to ascertain to whom 1934 Utah license plates #116-49 were issued. Also appropriate and discreet inquiry should be made at Salt Lake City to learn the identity of Mrs. George H. Gilbert, and also to establish the identity of the individual giving his name as Glidden.

PENDING

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

St. Paul, Minnesota.

FILE NO.

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| REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana | DATE WHEN MADE 3/11/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/9/35 | REPORT MADE BY P. E. Hurley, CJO |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al. EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Margaret K. Burkish, New Albany, Ind., reported to be of unsound mind. She claims to have knowledge that Karpis was transported in airplane from Florida to Louisville, Ky., directly after his escape of a few weeks ago. Advises that W. E. Staples of Louisville assisted him. Is obsessed with the idea that she is a detective and that her assistance in the detection and the control of crime is necessary. Belies on the information furnished by a lady friend in the same mental condition as herself. Police and Postmaster, New Albany, regard them as harmless but unworthy of attention.

Reference:

Letters from Bureau dated February 9 and March 6, 1935.

AT NEW ALBANY, INDIANA

DETAILS:

In view of the information submitted in the above letters of reference to the effect that MRS. MARGARET KELSO BURKISH, reported to be a resident at 428 North State Street, New Albany, Indiana, might be in possession of facts that might be of value in locating the several subjects of this case, particularly ALVIN KARPIS, efforts were made to locate her. Through MR. W. S. DARNEAL, Postmaster at New Albany, Agent learned that Mrs.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

H. H. Pinecke

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Burkish is a niece of the well known and highly respected attorney, CHARLES B. KRISO, Elsy Building, New Albany. It was further learned from Mr. Darneal that Mrs. Burkish is a woman of good character but one who has suffered a mental breakdown and consequently, is not mentally well balanced. In this connection, Agent was informed that Mrs. Burkish has a penchant for amateur detective work; that she is reported to have taken a correspondence course in detective training; that she is a garrulous sort of a person, rather silly at times, giddy in thought and an unfortunate young woman of poor judgment; that she has many good personal qualities, however, and is harmless; that because she is morally sound herself, it is probably a fact that this has a bearing on her determination to assist in the detection and prosecution of crime. Mr. Darneal added that he has known Mrs. Burkish many years; that she has visited him home on several occasions; that he has listened to her ramblings on crime and social injustices at different times; that she entertains the firm conviction that the properly constituted law enforcement agencies for the most part are not honest and therefore are ineffectual in their efforts to control crime.

Agent located Mrs. Burkish at her home, now located at 414 North First Street, New Albany. She appears to be a woman in rather poor financial circumstances but nevertheless gracious, neat, refined and orderly. She mentioned having written to the Director at Washington on several occasions because of her faith in the sincerity and power of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to detect and suppress crime; that the letters mentioned and her telegram since incorporated in the Bureau letter of reference dated February 9, 1935, were sent because of her lack of knowledge of the existence of the Indianapolis Office of the Bureau; that she sincerely believes that subject Karpis is engaged in a fake world-wide lottery in connection with one JOE ADAMS, recently arrested by the Federal Government in Florida, a friend of Karpis and a former resident of Jeffersonville, Clark County, Indiana; that Karpis, when he made his escape in Florida several weeks ago, was transported to Louisville, Kentucky, via airplane, by one W. E. STAPLES, resident of Louisville, and hid in the Seelbach Hotel in the latter city. Mrs. Burkish admitted that she has no first-hand knowledge that such is a fact; that she does not know Mr. Staples; that the information mentioned by her was submitted by a close friend, one MISS IRENE GRAYBROOK, 301 State Street, New Albany; that Miss Graybrook is "a skilled and clever detector of crime"; that she has a great deal of faith in the lady. Mrs. Burkish rambled on about the belief that she is being closely watched; that every letter written by her is read at the post office; that it is impossible for her to write to any person without having her letters read; that "they", meaning members of the nation-wide crime syndicate, have her "spotted". She also claimed

that ATTORNEY GENERAL LUTZ for the State of Indiana just recently called on her in the disguise of a book salesman; that he questioned her about her theories and knowledge of crime; that shortly after the reported visit of the man believed by her to be Attorney General Lutz, MR. AL EKENY, Commissioner in Charge of the Indiana State Police chased Karpis from Louisville to Michigan, where his trail became lost. Mrs. Burkish also claimed that she is responsible for a recent State Police cleanup of an automobile theft ring operating in the Eastern Judicial District of Kentucky up to a few weeks ago; that she had given this information to State authorities about two years ago; that the credit for the cleanup by the Kentucky State Police as to this case should go to her. Agent discussed Bureau affairs and jurisdiction. She seemed greatly pleased over the attention given to her efforts.

Mention is made of the above claims by Mrs. Burkish in order to show that she is mentally unsound and that her alleged information is of no value whatever. She has admitted that Miss Irene Graybrook is responsible for her writing to the Bureau. Agent's inquiries as to Miss Graybrook at the Postmaster's office and elsewhere developed that she is also mentally unsound and a meddler; that she formerly held good positions in the political life and the schools in New Albany but that her mental condition was responsible for the loss of same. She now conducts a small grocery store at 501 State Street, New Albany.

Inquiries at Police Headquarters, New Albany, developed that Miss Graybrook and Mrs. Burkish are morally sound but that their mentality is seriously affected; that they are obsessed with the idea that crime is beyond the control of the law enforcement agencies and that their "skilled" assistance is necessary; that no attention should be given to their views or reported information. Former SHERIFF ED MEYERS is now the Chief of Police at New Albany. Mr. Staples is not known to the police. They have received no reports to the effect that Karpis has ever been in the vicinity of New Albany or Louisville.

Inquiries as to subject Karpis over a long period of time at Police Headquarters, New Albany, Indiana, and in Louisville, Kentucky, failed to develop any lead as to Karpis and his companions in crime. So far as known Karpis has never been in either city. The Seelbach Hotel, Louisville, is a well managed house. Their cooperation can be depended on. There is no evidence known to the Police Chiefs at New Albany or Louisville that a man by the name of Staples is promoting a lottery. The clean up on lottery is, and has been, vigorously prosecuted in Louisville. Captain W. A. OELTJENS, temporarily in charge of the Police Detectives Bureau, Louisville, has no knowledge of Staples.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

March 12, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM; - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto you will find a tracing of mail received
by Mr. Arthur Burdett, 709 French Street, Erie, Pennsylvania.

It is the opinion of Special Agent James L. Fallon that
the letter was written by Wynona Burdett, a sister of the addressee,
as she stated to Mr. Fallon that she was corresponding with her
brother at regular intervals.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey

R. G. HARVEY, S. A.
Special Agent in Charge.

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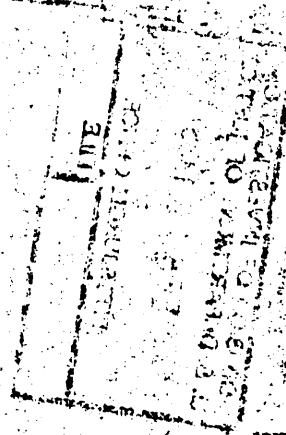
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
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Post Office Box 812
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March 11, 1935.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218
- FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY LAYNE, with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE LATHAM, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM,
KIDNAPING.



Reference is made to telegram from this office dated March 8, 1935 concerning Frankie Foster, who is reported to be in Los Angeles, California at the present time.

Please be advised that on this date Special Agent J. E. Madala of this office learned through Lieutenant W. J. Cusack of the Chicago Police Department that he received a letter a year ago from William Robinson, Chief of Detectives, Los Angeles Police Department, advising that Frankie Foster was in Los Angeles, California, and that he is engaged in the bail bond business. Chief Robinson at this time requested Lieutenant Cusack to furnish him with the criminal record of Foster and also a brief history of him.

A check of the Bureau of Identification records at the Chicago Police Department disclosed the following criminal record of Frankie Foster:

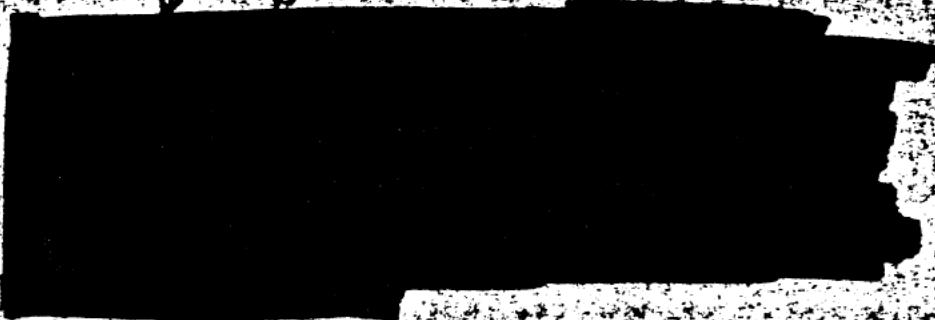
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There are attached hereto photostatic copies of newspaper photographs of Frank Foster and his wife for your assistance in this investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
Special Assignment.

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Att.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

March 10, 1935

2:25 A.M.-Time.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Location of Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy
7-13-3

The following information was received from Chicago by long distance telephone by Mr. Finkel, night clerk, and transmitted to me.

One Don Wilson, who resides at 4102 Madison Street, Apt. 2B called the Bureau and advised that he knew where Karpis was staying; that he was planning a kidnaping early this morning. He advised that Karpis was at the Paradise Arms Hotel, located in the 4100 block of Washington Boulevard and would be there until 7 o'clock this morning; that he was registered under the name of Fagin. Wilson further stated that with Karpis was the man who was with him in Atlantic City. Wilson stated definitely that Karpis would leave the hotel this morning.

Don Wilson described himself as a gambler running a house in Chicago and that he knew Karpis personally; that he had seen him yesterday in the Paradise Arms Hotel. Wilson advised that he worked with one Sam Hunt, alias "Golfbag", also a gambler and former Capone man. He gave as his reason for turning this information in, the fact that, "Karpis was queering the racket."

2:40 A.M. I called Mr. Connelley in Chicago, but not being able to reach him immediately, I spoke to Mr. Madala in the Chicago Office and gave him the above information. I advised him to get some men together and to get in touch with Mr. Connelley or Mr. Ladd right away, and not to do anything until either Mr. Connelley or Mr. Ladd took charge.

3:30 A.M. The night clerk in the Chicago Office called the Bureau and advised that Mr. Connelley had a contingent of men covering the place. I advised the night clerk that if they were reporting negative results, to use either telegraph or teletype.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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January 31, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Mr. Nathan.....
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Relative to the Director's inquiry concerning the identity of Buckhalter noted on the letter of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, dated at Chicago, Illinois January 7, 1935 in the Bremer kidnaping case, please be advised that this individual is Louis Buckhalter alias Lepke and was an associate of Vernon C. Miller and Gus Winkler and you will recall that the wife of Buckhalter, Rose Buckhalter, accompanied Vivian Mathis, paramour of Miller, during July and August of 1933, at which time they were under surveillance by the Division.

During the surveillance of Mrs. Buckhalter and Vivian Mathis, it was learned that Buckhalter has a lengthy New York police record and that he is involved in every industry in New York that is connected with racketeering, especially the suit and garment industry. The Division has conducted an extensive investigation of this individual in connection with the Antitrust case, Division file No. 60-1834, entitled THE DRESS INDUSTRY - LOUIS BUCKHALTER with aliases, et al.

He is also associated with the activities of the so-called "Longie mob" of New Jersey, which is opposed to the so-called "Dutch Schulz gang".

According to the modus operandi file of the Identification Unit, he is one of the four most important gangsters in New York City today and is the number one man on all union rackets involving strong-armed work. He is wealthy and has connections with all the important mobs in the United States. It appears from the record that he was arrested on November 21, 1933 by the United States Marshal, New York City, for violation of the Antitrust Laws in connection with the fur industry.

There are attached hereto the photograph and a copy of the complete criminal record of this individual.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby.
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Louis Buckhouse, PD, N.Y.C. #46043.

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

February 28, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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Mr. Alt telephoned from the Jacksonville Office with reference to the above case and stated that the United States Marshal in Jacksonville had received a telegram from Mr. Stewart, Administrative Assistant to the Attorney General, instructing that the Marshal take up with the court the matter of securing a writ to remove Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette from the Dade County Jail in Miami, to the Duvall County Jail in Jacksonville to properly safeguard them. In this connection, Mr. Alt stated that he doubts very much if the Federal Judge in Miami will sign this writ.

I informed Mr. Alt that this appears to be the procedure the Department wants to follow, and that it is all right with the Bureau. Mr. Alt stated that he would advise the Bureau by telegram if and when these persons are removed.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: RUSSELL GIBSON, killed while
resisting arrest; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
et al, taken into custody.

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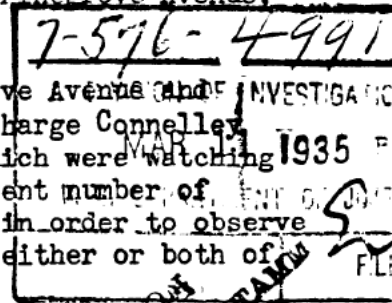
Through confidential sources at Toledo, Ohio, it was ascertained that one Mildred Kuhlman, a prostitute, had left Toledo, Ohio with Arthur R. Barker and that she was located in the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

Investigation at the Morrison Hotel resulted in ascertaining that Mildred Kuhlman was a guest at this hotel and during her stay communicated by telephone with persons residing at 641 Oakdale and 439 Arlington Place, Chicago, Illinois. On December 15, 1934 Mildred Kuhlman gave up her room at the Morrison Hotel. By covering the Oakdale and Arlington Place addresses the Kuhlman woman was traced and found to be residing at 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois. A surveillance of this address disclosed that Mildred Kuhlman frequented an apartment located at 3912 Pinegrove Avenue. This address was also placed under surveillance and it was learned that the men who had been associating with Mildred Kuhlman and her women companions were out of the city. Both apartments were kept under continuous surveillance until the return of these men around the first of January, 1935. One of the men who was observed entering the apartment at 3912 Pinegrove Avenue was partially identified as Russell Gibson and it was discovered that he had been contacting the party at 432 Surf Street, who was later identified as Arthur R. Barker. While it had been noted that apparently one or two men had been entering both of these addresses, no definite conclusive identification had been made of any of the subjects from the pictures available and, on the morning of January 8, 1935, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agent R. D. Brown observed the individual who was residing at 3912 Pinegrove Avenue and reached the conclusion that he was Russell C. Gibson, subject of Identification Order No. 1213. Previous reports submitted have, in some instances, referred to the address "3920" Pinegrove Avenue, which is the same address as 3912 Pinegrove Avenue.

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After observing both addresses, 3912 Pinegrove Avenue and 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois, Special Agent in Charge Connelley made immediate arrangements to reinforce the squads which were watching both addresses in order that in an emergency a sufficient number of men would be available to take either place, and also in order to observe when all of the subjects in question had assembled in either or both of the two addresses.

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Thereafter arrangements were made for the assistance of additional agents to conduct a raid when it became evident that both places were fully occupied. The Agents were given detailed instructions as to their respective assignments and as to the identity of the persons who were to be taken into custody. At the 3912 Pinegrove Avenue address seventeen Special Agents were assembled, including the Special Agent in Charge. At the 432 Surf Street address nine Agents were assembled to await developments at the former address and at the same time be prepared to take any emergency action that might be necessary. The plan of operation was to first take the occupants of the apartment on Pinegrove Avenue, inasmuch as it was expected that there would be two or more men at this address, and thereafter a raid would be conducted upon the Surf Street address, with the understanding, however, that should the occupants of this latter address attempt to leave they were to be taken into custody in order to prevent their escape or to prevent their warning the occupants of the apartment on Pinegrove Avenue. The squad at the Surf Street address was divided into two groups, one under the supervision of Special Agent R. L. Jones and one under Special Agent C. G. Campbell, these groups to command both the front and rear entrances to the building.

Around 6:30 P.M. on January 8, 1935, Mildred Kuhlman and a man who was later identified as Arthur R. Barker, were observed leaving the apartment at 432 Surf Street, at which time the squad of Agents at the front entrance deployed around them and closed in on Barker just as he was stepping to the curb to hail a taxicab. At the same instant he was commanded to surrender he fell down in the mud and raised his hands above his head. He was found to be without a gun on his person and was immediately taken to the Chicago Division Office, together with Mildred Kuhlman. Surveillance was continued on the apartment in the expectation that other associates of the gang would probably put in an appearance, inasmuch as the taking of Barker into custody was effected without any excitement or publicity.

The raid planned on the apartment located at 3912 Pinegrove Avenue was deferred, inasmuch as the apartment had been vacated by the occupants earlier in the evening. A surveillance was continued until approximately 10:45 P.M., when subject Gibson, accompanied by his wife, Clara Gibson, and another woman, later identified as Ruth Heidt, ex-wife of Willie Harrison, were seen to enter the apart-

ment from the front. A man, later identified as Byron Bolton alias Monte Carter, was observed entering the rear of the apartment from the alley. Thereupon Special Agents A. P. Barber and J. C. White were stationed at the foot of the steps at the rear of the apartment where it was expected that Gibson would emerge in the event he refused to leave by the front entrance. These Agents were covered by other Agents at the rear of the apartment.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley, together with Special Agents R. D. Brown, S. K. McKee and K. R. McIntire entered the front of the building at about 11:15 P.M. after all other Agents on the outside had been properly stationed at their respective positions. Agent in Charge Connelley went to the speaking tube for Apartment No. 1, North and made inquiry of a woman who answered for Mr. J. B. Bolton, the name given when the apartment was rented. The woman stated that Mr. Bolton was not in and would not be in until the end of the week. Mr. Connelley then informed this woman that he was a Government officer from the United States Department of Justice and that the building was completely surrounded. He instructed that all occupants of the apartment come down the front stairs, one at a time, with their hands above their heads. Special Agents McKee and Brown were stationed at the foot of the stairs equipped with Thompson sub-machine guns. Agent in Charge Connelley and Agent McIntire were equipped with their service .38 super-automatic pistols. After the first order to the occupants of the apartment to come down there was a delay of several minutes, but no action on the part of the occupants. Mr. Connelley again called through the speaking tube and demanded that all persons leave the apartment immediately or it would be gassed. Again the Agents waited for approximately three minutes and Mr. Connelley, for the third time, demanded through the speaking tube that the occupants immediately leave the apartment. He also warned the persons in the apartment that no escape should be attempted through the rear as the building was completely surrounded and any one attempting to escape would be killed.

After this third command to the occupants of the apartment the two women, Clara Gibson and Ruth Heidt, came down the stairs and were commanded to lie on the floor in order that no attempt could be made by them to grab the guns of the Agents in order to effect an escape on the part of the two men still remaining in the apartment. The women were searched for concealed weapons but none were found. Immediately after the women had laid down, Byron Bolton emerged from the apartment with his hands in the air. He was likewise commanded to lie on the floor with his hands above his head. He was searched

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for weapons but none were found. Mrs. Gibson admitted her identity and when asked if any other individuals were in the apartment she stated that her husband was still in the apartment. In the belief that Russell Gibson and others might yet be in the apartment, Mrs. Gibson was instructed to persuade her husband, through the speaking tube, to surrender, but she received no response. At that moment several shots were heard in the rear of the building, at which time Mrs. Gibson screamed "Oh, they have got my husband".

Immediately upon hearing the shots fired the Agents in the front of the building, in accordance with previously issued instructions, fired gas shells through the front windows of the apartment occupied by the Gibsons in order that any individual still there or any individual returning there from the rear of the building would be rendered unable to continue active and dangerous resistance.

The shooting which was heard occurred when Russell Gibson emerged from the back entrance of the building, in his shirt sleeves, without a hat, and wearing a bullet-proof vest, and carrying and firing a Browning Automatic 30.06 caliber Rifle, which fire was directed at Agents White and Barber. Thereafter, in the return fire, Russell Gibson was wounded after he had apparently fired four shots from the Browning automatic rifle. He threw off his bullet-proof vest after having been wounded and dropped a .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol, fully loaded.

Immediately upon the occurrence of this shooting, arrangements were made with the Janitor, Paul Lenco, to reassure all of the occupants of the other apartments that no one would be harmed and he was also instructed to call the police if they were not already on their way and advise them as to what was taking place, and further that when the police officers arrived they should be immediately brought to Special Agent in Charge Connelley. Shortly thereafter the police arrived and offered their cooperation in following up the necessary work in connection with determining definitely that no one else remained in the apartment.

Thereafter the two women and Bolton were taken to the Chicago Division Office and Russell Gibson was taken to the American Hospital where he died at 1:40 A.M., January 9, 1935.

The apartment was entered and there were recovered the following guns:

- 1 Browning 30.06 automatic rifle, dismounted, with parts detached.
- 1 Sawed-off shotgun, double barrel, 20 gauge, No. 109198, with shoulder holster.

DIRECTOR CGO 3/6/35 MIDNIGHT
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TODAY. EFFORTS AND WORK IN ESTABLISHING INFORMANTS IN SUSPECTED PLACES
BEING CONTINUED AS WELL AS ANY LEADS ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minn.**

FILE NO. **7-63**

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| REPORT MADE AT Washington, D. C. | DATE WHEN MADE March 13, 1935 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE March 12, 1935 | REPORT MADE BY W. P. FRIAR |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1283; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1252, ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Information received individual identified as Alvin Karpis, but who gave name of E. G. McBride, Pittsburgh, Pa., stopped Ford Garage, Fredericksburg, Va., 1/3/35 for repairs to Ford Sedan bearing 1935 Pa. license plates 14-E-35, and returned same garage about 5:45 P.M. 3/12/35 for repairs. Pittsburgh advised Pa. license plates 14-E-35 issued E. G. McBride, Pittsburgh, Pa., who left Pittsburgh 1/2/35 for Florida and supposed to be returning present time. Pittsburgh to conduct further investigation on return of E. G. McBride thereto.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>At approximately 7:00 P. M. March 12, 1935, an individual giving his name as O. L. Johnson, telephonically contacted Special Agent William P. Friar, of this office, from Fredericksburg, Virginia, and related the following information:</p> <p>Johnson stated that he was Service Manager of the Ford Garage, Fredericksburg, Virginia; that his residence address was 810 Charlotte Street.</p> | | | |
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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. M. Keith</i> J. M. Keith SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-4995 MAR 13 1935 P.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <i>ONE 9.3</i> FILE | | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 12 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 15 1935 JACKETED: |
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Fredericksburg, Virginia; that approximately two months ago two men and two women stopped at his filling station and garage in a Ford Sedan; that these individuals acted suspicious, in that one remained in front of the garage on watch, while the others stayed within; that approximately two weeks later, he saw a picture of Alvin Karpis in a Baltimore paper; and that he had recognized the picture and identified the individual as one of the men who stopped at his filling station and garage approximately two weeks before. Johnson advised that in view of the fact that the occupants of the car aroused his suspicion, he copied the motor number of same and also made a note of the license plates. He stated that he worked on this car repairing the motor for approximately one hour and that the occupants then left his garage for an unknown destination. Johnson stated that the Ford maroon colored Sedan in which the four individuals were traveling bore Pennsylvania 1935 license plates 14-E-35. Johnson stated that he also exhibited a photograph of Karpis, which he had seen in a Baltimore paper, to other employees of the filling station and they were also of the opinion that one of the men in the car was Karpis. Agent Friar asked Johnson why he had not reported this to the Department of Justice immediately thereafter and Johnson stated that he had not done so in view of the fact that Karpis had been later seen in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Johnson then stated that at approximately 5:50 P. M. March 12, 1935, the same man and one of the women again drove into his filling station and that he immediately recognized the man as being the same individual who had been in his garage approximately two months ago. Johnson stated that the man on March 12, 1935, wore a mustache, whereas he had not previously done so but that nevertheless he was positive that it was the same individual. Johnson described the man as being 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing 175 pounds. He described the woman as being a blonde and short. Johnson stated that he checked the license plates on this automobile and again noted that same bore Pennsylvania 1935 license plates 14-E-35. According to Johnson the individual stopped to have a windshield wiper repaired and in approximately five minutes left the filling station in the direction of Washington, D. C.

Pursuant to the receipt of the above telephonic information, the writer immediately notified Mr. Tamm, of the Bureau, and instructed Agent C. I. Lord, of the Washington Field Office, to immediately proceed to Fredericksburg, Virginia and interview O. L. Johnson for any additional information that he might possess with reference to this matter. Special Agent Levin, of the Philadelphia office, was also telephonically contacted, and the Philadelphia office was requested to trace 1935 Pennsylvania license plates 14-E-35 and to conduct appropriate investigation relative thereto.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota,**

St. Paul FILE NO. **7-30**

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| REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-11-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/28 to 3/11/35 | REPORT MADE BY: John E. Brennan |
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| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with aliases, FUGITIVE; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATL. FIREARMS ACT. |
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Informant of Burns Agency, Minneapolis, Minnesota, reported to have seen HARRY SAWYER near St. Paul, Minnesota. Investigation fails to confirm this. ROY McCORD is unable to definitely identify ARTHUR BARKER as one of the persons who shot him in St. Paul just prior to BREMER'S kidnaping. EDNA MURRAY disclaims license on that used in this shooting issued to E. B. MURRAY. BOLTON furnishes information regarding possible hideout of KARPIS in Chicago. FARMER disclaims knowledge of activities of agents in Chicago by Capone Syndicate. United States Attorney St. Paul, Minnesota, desires removal of PUTIS, but withholds opinion as to his prosecution in this case. FITZGERALD, or BELLE BORN, not at BELLE BORN'S farm near Mankato. Subjects unknown to R. C. WILSTON, Big Forks, Minnesota. Certified copy of indictment and bench warrant for OLIVER A. BERG, with non-est return as of March 11, 1935, forwarded by United States Attorney, St. Paul, to United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois. This case to be tried during second week of April, 1935.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. E. Brennan, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 3-9-35.

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. M. Ladd</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-4994 UNITED STATES MAR 13 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 14 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 21 1935 JACKETED |
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March 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
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MAR 11 1935 PM

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases
I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O. #1236;
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HARRY SAWYER with aliases I.O. #1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases I.O. #1241;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

It is set forth in report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, that through investigation at the Packard Motor Car Company of Miami, Florida, the photograph of Harry Sawyer was identified as that of a person who had been in the garage of that company recently, at which time he was driving a Model 1200 black 1935 Packard sedan, bearing New Jersey license tags. This person claimed to be having trouble with the differential and requested that it be fixed, but when informed that the car had passed the warranty period, he declined to have the repairs made.

Prior to the receipt of this report, this information had been transmitted by Special Agent in Charge Hanson, telephonically, to the Detroit Office. A check was made of the retail records of the Packard Motor Car Company at Detroit, Michigan, which are about 90% complete -- the records starting from November 1933 -- with negative results. However, the name of Harry Sawyer and all of his aliases were left with the Packard Motor Car Company in the event a registration should come through on such a car.

Letter to SAC
New York -
cc - Detroit, St. Paul,
Jacksonville, Phila.,
and Miller at Chicago

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #812
Chicago, Illinois

March 19, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE
K5637 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
K4217 HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
K4214 VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
K6927 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
K4234 HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240
K6860 MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 7, 1935, requesting a complete list of all the defendants named in the indictment returned on March 1, 1935 in connection with the \$237,000 robbery of a bank messenger on December 6, 1932, together with any identifying data which will assist in locating the records of these individuals in the files of the Identification Unit of the Bureau.

The following list was obtained by Special Agent M. Chaffetz from a copy of the above indictment on file in the office of the United States Attorney here in Chicago. Following each name is the identifying data obtained by Agent Chaffetz from Postal Inspectors J. J. McCarthy and John R. McWhorter, and from the records of the United States Marshal and Police Department in this city.

K-363 - Sam Levick St. Louis P. D. #35525
alias "Baby Doll"
K13938 Sam Labow Chicago P. D. #C60430
K13937 Rocco F. J. Degrasse New Orleans P.D. #18700
alias Joseph Degrasse
" Joe Romano
" Joe Alamo
" Joe Miller

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K13941 Vincent Degrasse
alias Wolf Degrasse
" James
" Jimmy Harris
" James Paize

Chicago P. D. #55497

K13983 Ralph Berger

Taken into custody by U.S. Marshal at Chicago, but no record of such arrest or fingerprints being taken was located. No other known record. U. S. Marshal Chicago #3674.

K13913 James Weinberg
alias James Mitchell
K-5499 - John J. McLaughlin
alias "Boss"

U. S. Marshal Chicago # 3734.

K13942 Julius Riseman

Arrested by U. S. Marshal, Springfield, Illinois.

X Dave Fishman

Arrested by U. S. Marshal, Springfield, Illinois.

K13944 Louis Fratto

F. P. record at Chicago P. D. - 32 W 100, however, no number or 32 W 001

X Louis C. Perrott
alias Louis Wojak
" Louis Anderson
" Louis Mathews

record at this Dept. appears in group photograph #5324A.

No record, and has not as yet been taken into custody on above indictment.

K13948 John M. Minnece
X Louis Wolfe

U. S. Marshal Chicago #3722
F. P. by New York City P. D. on March 2, 1935 under the name of Louis Wolff. Number not known.

X Thaddeus S. Stevens

Arrested by U. S. Marshal, Springfield, Illinois.

X Maurice Fishman

Arrested by U. S. Marshal, Springfield, Illinois.

X Al Miller

U. S. Marshal Chicago #3674.

K-10013 - Edgar Richard Bagarozzy
alias Eddy

K13978 X Dominick Gentile
alias Dom

K13982 X Robert Roberto
alias Robo

The only information available on the last three Subjects is the fact that they all appear in group photograph of the New York City Police Department #16,184.

K13951 Bud Gentry
K13979 Doddridge Farrell

Chicago P. D. #C50920

No known record, has not as yet been taken into custody. Resides in St. Louis, Mo., and may have record in that city.

Harry A. Sodini

K13968 Ernest C. Henning

K13970 Gus Anderson

K13967 Joseph L. Vodak
alias L. G. Anderson

K13969 Byron Carey

It is noted here that Joseph L. Vodak was arrested along with Byron Carey, and it is possible that a record of such arrest may be located in the Identification Unit under the same number given Carey by the United States Marshal, which is #3674.

K13912 Clarke B. Richie

M13965 Robert Polhemus

X F. E. Colvin

K13981 X Clem Ehinger

X Leon H. Winters

K13980 William H. Schultz

X Louis B. Krilow

K13977 X Bernard F. Spangler

X Thomas H. Baird

X William Graves

X Joe Levine

X Edna Lovig
alias Edna Degrasse
" Edna Daize

Only information available is that he has record in St. Louis, Mo.

U. S. Marshal Chicago #3721.

Chicago P. D. #C20555.

Taken into custody by U. S. Marshal at Chicago, but no record of such arrest or fingerprints being taken was located. No other known record.

U. S. Marshal Chicago #3674.

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No record, and has not as yet been taken into custody on above indictment.

U. S. Marshal Chicago #3730.

Taken into custody by U. S. Marshal at Chicago, but no record of such arrest or fingerprints being taken was located. No other known record.

Charles Joye

alias Cherry Nose/Charlie into custody on above indictment.

Joe (last name unknown)

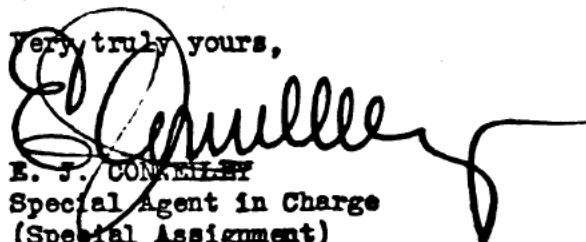
No known record, not yet taken into custody on above indictment.
No information available.

Your attention is directed to the fact that although Ralph Berger, Joseph L. Vodak, and Edna Lovig were taken into custody by the United States Marshal and released on bond, they were not at any time fingerprinted by that office, and consequently, not assigned a number. The explanation given for this is that it has been the custom in the office of the United States Marshal to take a Subject before the Court and the amount of bond having been set by the Court, the Subject immediately makes his bond and is released from custody without his fingerprints ever being taken. This information is being furnished to you as it is deemed possible that you may desire to take some action which would assure the action of taking fingerprints of all persons taken into custody by the United States Marshal.

The information furnished by Post Office Inspectors McCarthy and McWhorter to Agent Chaffetz was done so on the assurance that none of the information given by them would be used by the Bureau in connection with any of its cases, without first bringing such action as may be taken by us to the attention of the above Inspectors. The reason advanced by them was that they wished nothing done that would harm or hinder the successful completion of their case.

Copies of this letter are being furnished the New York, St. Paul, St. Louis, and Kansas City Offices in order that they each may obtain the identifying data desired from the United States Marshal or Police Department on each of the Subjects appearing in the above list who have been indicated as being located in their District.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
(Special Assignment)

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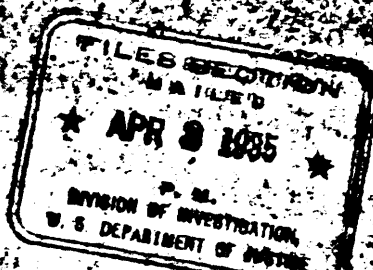
MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

Information has been received from the Chicago Office of this Bureau that it is the practice in the office of the United States Marshal in Chicago, in taking a subject into custody, to promptly carry him before the Court and if the subject immediately makes the bond which is set by the Court, he is released from custody without his fingerprints ever being taken.

Inasmuch as it is felt that you may desire to take some action which would assure the taking of fingerprints of all persons taken into custody by the United States Marshal, this matter is being called to your attention for any action which you may deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

From Laboratory and
Single Fingerprint Unit

Date 3/27 1935.

To: ☐ Mr. Edwards
☐ Mr. Appel
☐ Mr. Blackburn
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☐ Mr. Hardison
☐ Mr. Harrington
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☐ Mr. Parsons
☐ Mr. Pickering
☐ Mr. Renneberger
☐ Mr. Schilder
☐ Q. Tamm
☐ Chief Clerk
☐ Files
☒ Stenographer
☒ Mr. Foxworth

*Only the three with
K-numbers have been
entered in S.F.P. file
What about others?
Should they be entered?*

W.G.
E. P. Goffey.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT 2 & UNIT #3

3/27 1935.

TO: Director
Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tamm
Unit Two

Unit Four Unit Five
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☒ Miss McCarthy

☒ Mr. Blockbaum

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If others not ^{now} incarcerated for long
terms it would appear, in view
of their connection with this robbery,
that they should be included in S.F.P. file

Supervisor.

POST OFFICE BOX 289,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE
EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-22

An examination of the file in this case discloses that although all field offices have been requested during the year 1934 to place stop orders against 1934 model Chevrolet Club Sedan, motor No. 4543656, serial No. 1-DA-0749267, and 1933 model Pontiac coach, motor No. 935155, serial No. 815237, no information has ever been obtained concerning the registration of these cars.

The Chevrolet Club sedan above mentioned was purchased by Arthur R. Barker under the name of H. J. Morley at Toledo, Ohio, during the summer of 1934, and the Pontiac coach was purchased by Dr. Joseph P. Moran during March of 1934 at Chicago, Illinois.

It is requested that all offices again communicate with the various State Automobile Registration Bureaus and again request that they be notified should either of the two above described automobiles be registered for the year 1935.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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All Field Offices

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935

Time - 2:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Backus.....
Mr. Baughman.....
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Miss Gandy.....

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Alt at the Jacksonville Office, he mentioned the above case, and particularly the extensive investigation conducted in that territory relative to the Barkers and to Cassius McDonald. He referred to a telegram which was sent on December 29, 1934 to Blackburn, signed "Cash", and which states that Cash wanted to see Blackburn on Sunday. When the Agents were in Miami investigating this matter, they saw this telegram at the Western Union Telegraph Office in Miami. Mr. Alt stated that they have quite a "pull" at the Western Union office in Jacksonville, and can get anything they want out of that office; however, this is not so in Miami, and they have to have legal process to get this telegram. Cassius McDonald denies that he sent the telegram in question, but it is believed that he did. For this reason, they want to get the original telegram from the Western Union Office in Miami and send it to the laboratory for comparison with the handwriting of McDonald.

Mr. Alt stated that he is unable to get any cooperation from the United States Attorney and his assistants; that Mr. Parrish is down there, and says that they can't get a subpoena for this telegram until the grand jury or the court are in session, and the United States Attorney is afraid to do anything about it. I told him that it appeared to me that the United States Attorney certainly ought to authorize a subpoena for this telegram. Mr. Alt stated that he has spent most of the last four days trying to get the Attorney to do something about this; that all the manager of the Western Union Office in Miami wants is a paper of some kind to protect him while the telegram is out of his office. I suggested that the U. S. Attorney might issue a request subpoena. Mr. Alt stated that he has suggested this to the Attorney, and the Attorney has taken this suggestion under consideration. I instructed Mr. Alt to push the U. S. Attorney on this point, and wire the Bureau if he refuses to issue this request subpoena.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

March 18, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases,
I. O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases,
I. O. 1237, FUG.; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN
with aliases, I.O.1232; WILLIAM WEAVER
with aliases, I.O.1238; HARRY SAWYER
with aliases, I.O.1240; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.1241;
OLIVER A. BERG with aliases, FUG.; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Confidential informant, [redacted] called at the
St. Paul Bureau Office during the morning of March 16, 1935,
and was paid \$20.00 in accordance with Bureau authorization.
At approximately midnight the same date he returned to the office
and conversed with the night clerk, at which time the night clerk
advised that [redacted] smelled of liquor rather strongly. He then
informed the night clerk that he had definite information that
HARRY SAWYER and a companion were then in Sioux City, Iowa.
On the following morning, March 17, 1935, he called at the St. Paul
Bureau Office again, and informed the writer that he had not been
able to contact LONNY MILAN as anticipated, but that he had con-
tacted an individual known to him as "RUSSIAN JOHNNY", a local
gambler and petty thief, and that this individual informed him
that he had seen RICHARD PYE, a fugitive under indictment in this
section on a charge of postoffice burglaries, on the streets of
Sioux City, Iowa, during the past two weeks. PYE was an associate
of Thomas Carroll and Charles Fisher. He stated that he is

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unable to secure any information directly regarding SAWYER, but was absolutely sure that any place PYE showed up, SAWYER would be near by. He suggested that it would be well to send him along with an Agent to Sioux City, Iowa, and that he felt sure that he would find SAWYER there. He further advised that Post Office Inspector Streich, who is presently absent from St. Paul, expects to go to Sioux City within the next two weeks to look for PYE. In view of this statement, it would appear that he had information prior to March 16th or 17th that PYE is in Sioux City.

I informed [redacted] that it would not be practical to send him to Sioux City insofar as this Bureau is concerned, and that any travel he performed would have to be on his own initiative. b7c b7d

[redacted] claimed, on leaving the office, that he would continue to make inquiry and would immediately report any information he received. As previously advised, this man has had considerable success as an informant, however, the bad feature is that he is rather talkative and he will disclose anything he knows to practically any police officer. I doubt that the services which [redacted] will be able to render will be of value to the Bureau and under the circumstances I do not feel that it is advisable to advance any additional money to him regardless of the representations he may make in the future.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD, *see*

Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc Omaha
E.J. Connelley

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

RNP:aws

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Richmond,
I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of
criminal record and twenty copies of the photograph as
appearing in the files of the Identification Division of
Lloyd Doyle, our file #529844.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. J. CONNELLEY
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SHOULD REFERENCE YOUR LETTER MARCH 16 LAST AUTHORITY
GRANTED PAY SUM NOT EXCEED \$100.00 TO
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March 19, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C..

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 15, 1935, relating to the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218, FUGITIVE, et al, EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, Kidnaping, St. Paul File No. 7-30, and particularly to a memorandum referred to therein concerning a statement made by Attorney John DeCourcy of St. Paul. Pursuant to instructions contained in reference letter, the details of the statement made by DeCourcy were given to EDWARD GEORGE BREMER upon his return to St. Paul from the Caribbean Cruise. Mr. DeCourcy was further interviewed by Special Agent John E. Brennan with respect to this matter and stated that he had been informed by some unknown person, who called him on the telephone and whose voice sounded similar to that of the person who had previously called him and retained him to represent ARTHUR BARKER; that BREMER was up for a "take-out" and that while BREMER was being held he had stated to his captors that he was "alright" as the boys had used his bank in disposing of stolen securities; that he, BREMER, had stated to them that he sold stolen securities through HARRY MILLERBERT (evidently meaning HARRY MILLER); that he had handled the money stolen in the Denver Mint Robbery as he was a good friend of DANNY HOGAN and agreed to point out LOUIS HILL and MILLILLY, president of the First National Bank of St. Paul, one at a golf course on the Jefferson Road in St. Paul and the other at his country home, the Glenmore Chalet; that either of these men would be good for \$500,000.00; that when this amount would be collected that he, BREMER, was to get his \$200,000.00 back; that, accordingly, he would not disclose the identity of his kidnapers should it be known to him, or furnish any information concerning them and that, as he had evidently failed to live up to his part of the transaction, the rest of the mob were going to dispose of him and also prevent his appearance at the trial of ARTHUR BARKER.

This statement of DeCOURCY was not discussed with EDWARD GEORGE BREMER.

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In connection therewith, reference is made to the statement obtained from IRENE DORSEY, paramour of FRED GOETZ alias DUTCH ZIEGLER, who related that GOETZ had told her of a conversation he had with BREMER, while BREMER was being held, to the effect that BREMER stated that he was unable to pay the amount of the ransom demanded but could point out to them other persons in St. Paul who would be better able to pay the amount.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Chicago - Connelley

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March 20, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

RE: WALTER HOLLARD with aliases, I. O. #1200; MRS. GEORGE M. CHASE with aliases, I. O. #1199; LLOYD DOYLE with aliases, I. O. #1208; AUGUST LAMER - Victim; Kidnaping (Extortion Through Use of Mails)

Dear Sir:

It is noted from the report of Special Agent J. S. Bush, dated at St. Louis, Missouri March 12, 1935 in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al, EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim, Kidnaping, that it is stated a more recent photograph of Doyle, than the one appearing on Identification Order No. 1208, was obtained from the St. Louis, Missouri Police Department.

Inasmuch as it is contemplated that the Identification Order relative to Doyle will be reissued, it is desired that the Bureau be provided with the latest available photograph of this fugitive.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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| REPORT MADE AT Salt Lake City, Utah | DATE WHEN MADE 3-16-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-14-35 | REPORT MADE BY J. D. WINE |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1257 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: 1934 Utah license 116-49 issued to the Regal Cleaning and Dyers, Salt Lake City, discarded February 21, 1935. Mrs. George H. Gilbert or Glidden unknown Salt Lake City Police, Post Office, and at Regal Cleaners and Dyers. | | | |
| REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent W.P. Ellwood, Omaha, Nebraska, March 11, 1935. | | | |
| DETAILS: AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH | | | |
| <p>It was ascertained from the Utah State Motor Vehicle Department, that 1934 license plates 116-49 were issued to the Regal Cleaners and Dyers, 444 East Second South Street, Salt Lake City, and covered a Ford 1/2 ton delivery truck, 1930 model, bearing motor No. 3480036.</p> <p>Discreet inquiry was made at the Salt Lake City Police Department and it was found from Detective John Robertson that the Regal Cleaners and Dyers is a well-established and thoroughly reliable organization owned by Thomas Slater, who is a personal friend of Detective Robertson.</p> <p>The writer, accompanied by Detective Robertson, interviewed Thomas Slater, who related that 1934 Utah license plates 116-49 were issued to one of his delivery trucks; that these plates were on this truck and were discarded, under his direction, on February 21, 1935, when new plates were issued for his motor equipment.</p> <p>Mr. Slater related that he is unacquainted with anyone by the name of Glidden or Mrs. George H. Gilbert; that the license plates in question</p> | | | |
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upon being removed from his delivery truck were left in a container in the rear of his establishment and probably were picked up and used by some unauthorized person.

Further inquiry was made at the Salt Lake City Police Department from Detectives Tom Dykes, and Lee Daley, and at the Identification Bureau and no information was obtained concerning anyone by the name of Mr. or Mrs. George H. Gilbert or Glidden.

Similar inquiry was made at the Salt Lake City Post Office and General Delivery, Salt Lake City, without locating any current or forwarding address for these persons.

It appears from report of reference that Utah 1934 license plates 116-49 were apparently observed on a private automobile in Sioux City, Ia., during November 1934. As these plates were unquestionably in the custody of the Regal Cleaners and Dyers at that time, it is probable that the numbers on the 1934 license plates were erroneously reported to the Omaha Bureau Office.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:HAM.

March 20, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE -
I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to my conversation with Mr. Tamm of the Bureau yesterday when several matters were discussed with him and especially the matter of obtaining the telegram which is quoted as follows:

"MIAMI, FLORIDA 3 45 PM 12 29 34

T C BLACKBURN
CARE CARSON BRADFORD
OKLAHOMA FLORIDA

LIKE TO SEE YOU SUNDAY

CASH",

the original of which is in the files of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Miami, Florida. It will be remembered that Subject Cassius McDonald with aliases, when interviewed, stated that he did not prepare, write or dispatch this telegram. Subject Joe Adams, when interviewed, stated that if it was sent by him it was at McDonald's behest; that he may or may not have written the telegram. This original telegram is desired for a comparison with the handwriting of Cassius McDonald. In the event it can be positively determined that he wrote this telegram directed to T. C. Blackburn (Fred Barker), it will be valuable evidence in McDonald's trial.

Assistant United States Attorney Sanders
Gramling, at Miami, Florida, up to this time has been unsuccessful in

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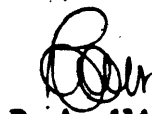
obtaining the original telegram. United States Attorney John W. Holland, Jacksonville, advised me today that he was proceeding to Miami tonight and that he, with Mr. Gramling and Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter, will confer immediately upon his arrival and other procedure will be planned to obtain possession of the telegram.

On March eighteenth, Mr. Gramling issued a subpoena duces tecum on W. K. Phillips, Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Miami, Florida, for the production of original telegram mentioned before the United States District Court, Miami, Florida, on the morning of April 22, 1934, at ten o'clock. At this time, Mr. Gramling addressed a communication to Mr. Phillips requesting the compliance with the subpoena immediately by relinquishing possession of the original telegram. He also telephoned Mr. Phillips and made an oral request that the compliance with the subpoena be completed immediately; however, Mr. Phillips declined to produce the telegram forthwith. Mr. Gramling also prepared a petition to be presented to Federal Judge Ritter praying that an order be issued instructing Mr. Phillips to produce the telegram forthwith. Judge Ritter declined to issue such an order. It was suggested to Mr. Gramling that a complaint be authorized for the purpose of having the original message brought forthwith before the United States Commissioner. He considered this suggestion, but later declined to authorize the complaint claiming that "no defendant would be before the court", therefore, this procedure could not be followed.

United States Attorney Holland, during his conversation with the writer this morning, stated that he believes that after his arrival at Miami tomorrow, he will be able to arrange some procedure that will result in obtaining the telegram in question.

The Bureau will be advised of developments in this matter.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Mr. Connelley at Chicago
Saint Paul

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March 28, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, ET AL,
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

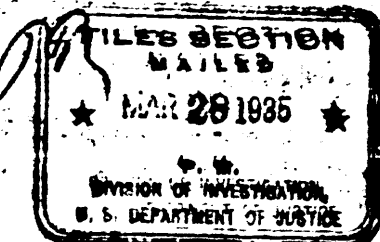
Reference is made to your letter dated March 20,
1935 regarding the attempts that have been made to obtain
possession of the original telegram addressed to F. C.
Blackburn, in care of Carson Bradford, Oklawaha, Florida,
under date of December 29, 1934 and signed "Cash".

The Bureau feels that in the event you have not
been successful in obtaining possession of this original
telegram, a photographic copy should be made of same and
immediately forwarded to the Bureau, together with specimens
of the handwriting of Cassius M. McDonald.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - St. Paul
Mr. Connelley



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P.O.Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

March 19, 1935.

Mr. E.J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 823,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O. #1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O. #1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM J. HAN-
SON, with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HAN-
SON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON,
with aliases, I.O. #1241; ALVIN KARPIS, with
aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested that photographs of all defendants in the above entitled matter be secured, together with the names of the photographers and their respective addresses, and that such photographers be interviewed so that the United States Attorney may be assured the proof of the photograph will be proper.

Will you kindly obtain the above information with regard to the photographs of BRUNO HUTAS, Chicago Police Department #C-41940; OLIVER BERG, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, #A-7650B; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, #2382, taken 11-17-33; and WILLIAM J. HANUSON, Hammond, Indiana, Police Department #1829, taken 11-16-33.

This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be included in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #2118

Detroit, Michigan

March 1, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 20, 1935, concerning the photographing of latent fingerprints taken from the Plymouth automobile at Monroe, Michigan, in connection with the case entitled, "ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping."

It will be noted in the above referred to Bureau letter that the cut film holder submitted to the Bureau for development of films was found to be empty.

Please be advised that I, personally, handled this matter. When the cut film holder was taken from this office to Monroe, it, apparently, was loaded and there was no outward appearance to indicate that films had not been inserted therein. However, I desire to state that the prints which appeared on the car were all lifted with tape, the result of which was also forwarded to the Bureau, so that the two fingerprint impressions which were photographed were included among the lifted prints.

Upon making inquiry at the office to determine the reason why films had not been placed in the cut film holder, I learned that evidently during the last course of instruction held at this office with regard to lifting and photographing latent fingerprints, this particular cut film holder was used and that same was taken to the Eastman Kodak Company for development and, although the person doing the work for this company had been instructed to place films in this holder, he had evidently failed to do so.

It has always been the custom at this office to have films placed in the holder at the time the used films are being developed and this evidently was the first time that we experienced anything along this line.

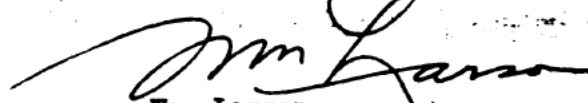
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Arrangements now have been made, however, to definitely determine that the cut film holder is loaded, rather than to take it for granted that such is the case.

Very truly yours,



Wm. Larson,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. William Larson,
Special Agent in Charge,
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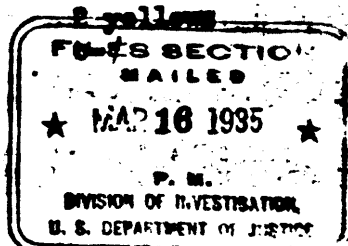
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 1, 1935 setting forth an explanation of your failure to properly examine the photographic equipment before taking photographs of the latent fingerprints found on the Flye mouth automobile believed to have been abandoned by Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell near Monroe, Michigan. I cannot too strongly express my displeasure over such gross carelessness as has been exhibited in this instance. Not only should you exercise diligence and thoroughness in the more important cases under investigation by this Bureau, but the same degree of care should be exercised in all cases.

I must again emphasize that you, as Special Agent in Charge, are held personally responsible for the proper upkeep of all equipment at your office and you must see that it is kept in condition and ready for use at all times.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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March 20, 1935

Director
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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE -
I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

The Bureau has been advised previously that W. Sanders Gramling, Assistant United States Attorney in Miami, has requested that he be furnished with all previous reports in this case, and that he desires additional investigation in Miami, Florida, and Havana, Cuba; that the persons previously interviewed by Agents Brown and McKee in Havana be re-interviewed and the persons interviewed in Miami by other Agents be re-contacted. Special Agent R. B. Donaldson is presently in Miami, Florida with all pertinent reports in this case conferring with Mr. Gramling to ascertain just what additional investigation he desires made and which of the prospective witnesses in Miami and Havana are to be re-interviewed. Mr. Gramling advised Agent Donaldson that his knowledge of the case was limited to the contents of the reports submitted by the Jacksonville Office covering the investigation made by Special Agent in Charge Hanson, in Miami, and Special Agents R. D. Brown and S. K. McKee in Havana. He stated that the case in his opinion is based purely on circumstantial evidence and further as the case now stands he is doubtful whether convictions can be secured.

Agent Donaldson then inquired of Mr. Gramling what further and additional investigation he believed would be necessary. He continued that the Cuban witnesses should be given further attention and gave in support of same the following, based on past experiences in practicing law in Cuba: it is highly necessary to secure statements from prospective witnesses of this type in question and answer form, as Latins are highly imaginative and often biased in

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in their testimony because of friendships, prejudices, etc., and that testimony of such witnesses often proves embarrassing under cross examination. By this procedure, the value or lack of value of a witness may often be determined in advance. In the opinion of Mr. Gramling, the matter of clearing up the situation is warranted by reason of expense and difficulty in arranging for and bringing to Miami the foreign witnesses, stating that arrangements in this connection will have to be perfected through the Department of State.

Investigation

Referring to the Miami angle of the investigation, Mr. Gramling stated that he is apprehensive about the effect that character witnesses on behalf of defendant Joe Adams will have on the jury, therefore, in this connection he believes some evidence tending to refute this line of testimony should be dug up. The only suggestion Mr. Gramling offered was that evidence tending to show what type of man Adams really is, and evidence to show that he had operated or was permitted to operate in days gone by a gambling place in his hotel, be secured. This might offset character testimony. Mr. Gramling states that he knows this would be difficult to develop as most of those who could give such testimony are too deep in other questionable deals to take the chance on giving such testimony.

Jury

Mr. Gramling also referred to the jury that will be selected to try this case. He advised that he intends to urge Federal Judge Ritter to order the panel drawn by April fifteenth and that it will be composed of fifty to seventy-five persons residing at various points in Dade and six other counties in the Miami Division of the Southern District of Florida. He also advised that he intends to take up with the Department the matter of having the Bureau instructed to investigate this jury panel, said investigation to start immediately subsequent to the drawing of the panel.

As to other Miami investigation, Mr. Gramling stated that "Gray should be worked over some more". (It will be remembered L. E. Gray was a clerk in the El Comodoro Hotel when the mob was checking in and out of that place.) Mr. Gramling did not indicate what additional information he expected from Gray, but did say that he now believes that Gray should have been indicted.

Mr. Gramling urged that the particular Agents who made the original investigation in Miami and Havana and who are familiar with the case, should be assigned to carry out these angles.

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Relative to previous reports, Mr. Gramling advised that he has conferred with Mr. Frank Parish of the Criminal Division of the Department, and Mr. Parish agreed that he, Gramling, should have full knowledge of the kidnaping as he can use this in a general way, especially in his talk to the jury. Mr. Gramling was advised by Agent Donaldson that the files in this matter were voluminous and dealt largely with efforts at apprehension. To this he replied that he wanted reports showing the history of the actual kidnaping, dates; that money was paid and other data to prove that a kidnaping had occurred. Further, he desired data or an outline of evidence in the Bureau's possession to connect Karpis, et al, with the actual kidnaping. Also, he thinks he should be supplied with data we have compiled on the flight of the original defendants, namely Karpis, Campbell, etc., from state to state. In this connection, he referred to the Cleveland, Ohio, episode, saying he knew nothing of that. Among other things mentioned by Mr. Gramling was "I don't know the connection of Karpis or how to prove he is the man named in the indictment in Saint Paul".

It appears that Mr. Parish has informed Mr. Gramling that a Special Attorney from the Department will be sent to Miami to assist in the case. This assistant, according to Gramling, will be put to work on the details, such as getting some of the indictments rewritten, preparing legal and trial briefs, etc.; however, Mr. Gramling says that he will try the case.

Later, on March nineteenth, supplementing the above information, Mr. Gramling advised that during the night of March eighteenth, he began to study the reports of Special Agent in Charge J. E. Hanson and R. D. Brown and now can see many holes we have to plug with investigation, both in Miami and in Cuba. Mr. Gramling enumerated about a dozen items, stating that he was only on page forty of Hanson's report. Agent Donaldson requested Mr. Gramling to furnish him at the earliest possible moment, after he had reviewed reports submitted to him, with a memorandum in duplicate setting out all the things that he believed necessary so that his request could be given proper attention at once. Mr. Gramling agreed to complete his study and comply with Agent Donaldson's suggestion. As soon as Mr. Gramling's memorandum is received, the Bureau will be advised.

Very truly yours,


R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL:~~

March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Please refer to my personal and confidential letter of March 14, 1935, to which was attached a letter to the Bureau relative to this case and its present status in Florida with respect to prosecution.

Since that communication was forwarded to the Bureau I have been endeavoring to ascertain from W. Sanders Gramling, Assistant United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, just what supplemental and additional investigation he desires and believes necessary to successfully prosecute the defendants charged in indictments in Florida, with harboring Karpis.

Several days ago I sent Special Agent W. B. Donaldson, who is familiar with this case, to Miami to confer with Mr. Gramling for the purpose of ascertaining just what additional evidence he desired. From time to time for four days Agent Donaldson contacted Mr. Gramling, and only today did the latter advise what additional investigation he desired.

Mr. Gramling came to Jacksonville today and spent the entire morning with me discussing the case, and the investigation made in Miami and Havana as reflected in reports of Bureau Agents, and the additional investigation he desires made in these two Cities.

During this conference with Mr. Gramling Agent Donaldson was present. It was only too apparent that Mr. Gramling knows little of what the prosecution is "all about"; that he is finding fault with the investigations as reflected in the reports so as to establish an alibi in the event of unsuccessful prosecutions. He stated that the investigative reports contain but little information that will be value as evidence at the trials.

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He was extremely critical of the reports and it was apparent, as will be noted in the enclosed letter to me, dated March 22, 1935, the original and a duplicate of which are being enclosed for your information, that he was seeking to find errors in the reports rather than evidence. He pointed out one or two errors that are of no consequence whatsoever, such as the report of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, dated February 20, 1935, on Page 10, which shows one of the Banks mentioned as closed, while in fact it has never been closed.

Mr. Cramling argued that from the information in reports in his possession an unsuccessful prosecution would result. It appears that he is not endeavoring to use the evidence in these reports to obtain a successful prosecution.

He stated that he had caused the indictments to be returned based solely on the information furnished by Mr. Hanson before the investigation was completed and before reports had been submitted; that Mr. Hanson assured him that the evidence uncovered would back up and substantiate the charges alleged in the indictments, and that it now develops that this is not true; that the case as developed by investigation established little more than probable cause.

He also said that after the indictments had been returned the Bureau had withdrawn all Agents familiar with the investigation in Havana and Miami, and that all intensive investigation had ceased, and now he firmly believes that no indictment should have been returned, since the evidence is lacking to substantiate the charges.

You will note from the attached letter, in which Mr. Cramling outlines the additional investigation he desires, he is most unreasonable in many of his requests. At one point he suggested the employment by the Bureau of a Cuban to conduct or assist in conducting the investigation in Havana.

Both Mr. Cramling and United States Attorney John W. Holland, had suggested that the Agents who made the original investigation in Miami and Havana, be assigned to conduct the additional investigation requested and that these Agents confer with them before commencing. They also suggested that some Agent familiar with the background and history of this case be assigned to go over the entire case with them, and the Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who has been assigned to assist in the prosecution, and that they be furnished with a summary report, showing each step from the beginning of the offense, "the kidnapping", the part that each defendant played in this, and the evidence of their flight since the initiation of prosecution.

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In addition to the investigation outlined in the enclosed letter Mr. Gramling stated that he desires evidence to show that Karpis using the alias E. M. Wagner (Waggoner) who is alleged to have been harbored and concealed by the Florida defendants in Miami, is actually the Karpis, who is named in the indictment and charged with others for the kidnaping of Bremer.

He also desires the names of witnesses who appeared before the Grand Jury at St. Paul, who can identify Karpis, alias Wagner (Waggoner) as the man who was indicted at St. Paul; he also desires witnesses to prove that the photograph of Karpis, alias Wagner (Waggoner) exhibited to prospective witnesses by Agents in Havana and Miami, is the Karpis indicted for the Bremer kidnaping at St. Paul.

He stated that he should also have evidence with reference to the identification of the notes that were paid for Bremer's release. He desires a chain of this evidence; that is, who made and prepared the package, who listed the serial numbers of the notes, who delivered the money, to whom paid, and the dates.

In conclusion Mr. Gramling stated that to obtain successful prosecutions in Florida, he believed that his request for additional investigation was fair and reasonable; that he had discussed the contents of the enclosed letter, and the additional investigation he was requesting with Mr. Frank Parrish, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who, for several days, has been in Miami with him conferring as to the evidence at hand that will be used during the trials, and that Mr. Parrish had assured him that his desires and requests were most reasonable.

Mr. Gramling is well known to me and I indicated to him diplomatically and discreetly, but firmly, that many of his requests appeared to be not only unreasonable, but beyond reason, but that all he had suggested in the way of additional investigation would be carefully considered and weighed and passed upon and that all within reason that could be done from an investigative standpoint, would be undertaken to obtain successful prosecutions.

It appears that he also has in mind, very definitely, to request an investigation of the entire Jury panel that will be drawn for the trials of the cases in Miami, Florida. Personally I think this procedure is absurd. It was mentioned in my letter to the Bureau on March 20, 1935.

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Concerning the subject matter of this letter, I will appreciate the Bureau's advice as soon as possible, and of course, will be governed by its instructions.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure.

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
Jacksonville, March 22, 1935.

Mr. R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: Joe H. Adams, et al.
Your case No. Jax 7-45.

Dear Mr. Alt:

Supplementing our letter of March 9th, relative to the above matter, in which certain additional investigation was suggested, we have further examined the case reports and find that there is still further matter which we believe should be supplied and investigated.

① There nowhere appears in any of the case reports which have been submitted to us any recitation of evidence to be produced showing that the Alvin Karpis indicted at St. Paul for conspiracy to kidnap Edward George Bremer is in fact the man who went by the name Wagner in Florida and Cuba, nor does it appear from the case reports that we would be able to identify him as that person except by conclusion of the agent making the report.

② Throughout the report there appear references to one Willie Harrison who apparently had some connection with the kidnapping and, due to his prominence in the matter, it would appear that he might be the Harrison who was indicted, together with Alvin Karpis alias Alvin Karpavics, in Minnesota under the name of William J. Harrison alias "Willie" alias Elmer Howe, and, if he is that person, then it would appear that we should be able to identify him in some definite manner, though that does not appear from the case report. On the other hand, however, if he is not the same man who has been indicted and who may be one of the fugitives, then we

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believe that his connection should be ascertained by investigation, and the importance of his connection should be revealed.

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Throughout the reports of Agent R. D. Brown and Agent J. H. Hanson, at various places, mention is made of a connection existing or claimed to exist between the defendant, Cassius McDonald and Jefferson Caffrey, the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Cuba, and United States Consul General to the Republic of Cuba, Cameron, which references could but lead a reader of the reports to believe that some investigation should be conducted to determine accurately what that connection is, and what knowledge those officers of the United States might have of the defendant McDonald; furthermore, as appears on page 3 of the report of Agent L. B. Nichols, it has been suggested by the Honorable F. T. Dumont, formerly United States Consul General to the Republic of Cuba, that the official files of the American Consulate Embassy in Havana might reveal important information in regard to McDonald.

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On page 6 of the report of Agent L. B. Nichols, it appears that the defendant McDonald claims to have been investigated by the Department of Justice heretofore, which item, we believe, should be investigated to determine the fact or fiction thereof and the importance, if any, of that investigation.

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On page 10 of the report of Agent R. D. Brown, on the Cuban angle of this matter, there appears a reference to a certain safety deposit box in the National City Bank, Havana Branch, same being numbered 344, as to which we wonder if the box itself were at any time fingerprinted to determine whether Alvin Karpis' fingerprints appeared thereon.

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In the last mentioned report on pages 15 and 16, there appears a reference to unusual shipments by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, through its Havana, Cuba, Branch, to the Redemption Division of the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., of five and ten dollar notes of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota; therefore, we wonder if the Treasury Department's Redemption Division has recovered and identified any of the ransom money referred to in the report, such references, we presume, are to ransom money paid for

the release of Bremer. It appears that certain ransom notes paid for the release of the victim Bremer were found at the Havana Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and we suggest that steps be taken to insure our ability to obtain such notes as evidence.

We note from the report of Agent R. D. Brown that the National City Bank, Havana Branch, has on hand certain ransom notes paid for the release of the victim Bremer and we suggest that arrangements be made to obtain those notes for use as evidence, together with any such notes held elsewhere in Cuba, if any.

On page 19 of the report of Agent Brown, we note that one Manual Dupont, who was employed by the people alleged to be Karpis and the Delaney woman, was not shown a picture of the Delaney woman for full identification; however, in the event the Delaney woman pleads guilty that would not be necessary, though, on the same page of the report, it appears that Karpis employed a Chinese cook and a young Cuban girl to work at the house; therefore, since it does not appear from the case report that these parties were interviewed, we suggest that such interviews be had and they be thoroughly interrogated regarding all phases of this case.

On page 21 of the report of Agent Brown, it appears that one George Harris and wife visited at Veradero Beach with the alleged Karpis and Delaney; therefore, since it does not appear that this visit was checked up on we would suggest that such investigation be completed.

From the report of Agent Brown, on page 22 thereof, it appears that the periodical "El Avance" for December 4, 1934, contained the picture of Alvin Karpis. However, it does not appear that Heller was ever interrogated to determine whether he read this paper or had seen the same, nor does it appear that investigation was made to determine whether Heller was in the habit of reading that periodical, which we would suggest having done and, at the same time, the paper would be of evidentiary value.

On page 28 of Agent Brown's report, it appears that McDonald had some correspondence with Senator Couzens of Michigan, and we would suggest that Senator Couzens be inter-

viewed relative to any knowledge he may have of McDonald.

13/ On page 29 of the last mentioned report, it appears that a gambler, Jimenez, and a police officer named (what appears from the case report, though the same is blurred) to be Goazles, which was probably meant to be Conzales, were visitors of McDonald at the Presidente Hotel, but it does not appear that these persons have been checked up on, and we would, therefore, suggest that they be interrogated.

14/ Agent Brown's report, on pages 31 and 32, reveals inquiry of a certain taxi driver in Havana named Agustin Cacho Negrete, who, Agent Brown expressed the opinion, had not revealed all that he knew. Therefore, it would appear that further investigation might be had to determine whether this man could be brought on to talk relative to the activities of McDonald.

7/15/ On page 47 of Agent Brown's report, there appears investigation of one of the employees of the Park View Hotel; however, it would appear to the writer that all employees of the Park View Hotel should have been investigated and that those having no love for Heller might give some valuable information.

16/ On page 63 of Agent Brown's report, there is reference to a reported deal carried on by Rane Bolivar and a man named Ortega; however, it does not appear that that deal has been sifted and investigated to determine any facts which might be revealed through Ortega or through further questioning of Bolivar.

17/ In further regard to the moneys which are being held in Cuba, and which are purported to be ransom notes, it would, if they are to be used in evidence, be necessary for us to be able to positively, by direct evidence, identify the money, which information, we believe, should be at least available for us.

18/ In regard to the report of Special Agent in Charge, J. H. Hanson, which was relative to the Miami angle of the investigation, it appears on page 5 thereof that, in November,

1934, and the first part of December of that year, Agents C. G. Campbell and C. O. Hurt interviewed one L. E. Gray, Assistant Manager of the El Commodore Hotel, and showed him certain photographs. However, it does not appear from the case report that the picture of Karpis was, at any time, shown to this man, nor does it appear that he was advised as to their identity and history.

19/ On page 10 of Mr. Hanson's report, in item numbered 13, there appears a reference to the Miami Beach First National Bank, which erroneously stated to have been closed and out of business, whereas, in fact, this institution is still in existence and daily transacting business, having been closed only during the moratorium.

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23/ of the defendant Adams, it would appear that this should be material, especially in view of the fact that Knight is also Adams' employer.

2x It does not appear at any place that Mr. Knight was ever interrogated relative to having talked with Adams in regard to the identity of Karpis and other members of the alleged kidnapping gang.

72/ On page 130 of Mr. Hanson's report, it appears that certain correspondence indicated that McDonald had communicated with one Mario Artesiano of Havana, and we believe that this connection should be investigated.

7 From the case reports it is impossible for us to determine whether or not the defendant McDonald at any time contacted Karpis or any one connected with him, nor does it appear that McDonald at any time conspired, combined, confederated, agreed, or otherwise communicated with other alleged conspirators.

We wonder if any evidence can be produced to show that T. Robert Knight informed the defendant Adams of his conversation with L. E. Gray.

We would like to have some evidence that Adams, the defendant, knew the identity and history of the man alleged to be Karpis prior to January 16, 1935, if such evidence is available.

| We wonder if it would be possible to determine whether or not the defendant N. H. Heller was advised as to the identity of Karpis during the time that Karpis was in Cuba.

We wonder if any evidence can be produced to show that the defendants Adams, McDonald, Randall, and Heller, were aware that process for the apprehension and arrest of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, had been issued in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota.

11 We would like to know if Karpis was indicted in Minnesota for violation of the state laws against kidnapping, and if he is wanted in that state by state authorities.

In view of the fact set forth in the report of Agent R. D. Brown that Mrs. Leonora Caldwell, Bermudez, had notified American Vice Consul at Matanzas, Cuba, of the presence of Alvin Karpis alias Alvin Karpavics, and, thereafter, was advised to communicate that information to the American Embassy in Havana, and apparently the Vice Consul took no steps to apprehend Karpis, we would suggest that investigation be had to determine whether or not it was disclosed and made known to some one of the judges or other persons in civil or military and under the United States that Alvin Karpis alias Alvin Karpavics was in the state of Florida prior to the information given to Agent Hanson by Miami police officers after the Agent Hanson arrived in Miami.

It might be well to advise you that T. Robert Knight, hereinabove referred to, on March 19, 1935, at about 4:30 P.M. called at this office and interviewed the writer relative to these cases, and particularly that against Joe H. Adams, at which interview Mr. Knight stated that he was convinced that Adams had no knowledge of the identity and history of Karpis, or any other person connected with the matter; furthermore, he criticized the officers who were in the El Comodoro Hotel in November and December for their failure to warn the hotel and Mr. Knight of such desperate characters.

Mr. Knight suggested to the writer that the attorneys representing Adams and Mr. Knight had intimated that the claims would be set forth that the officers of the Division of Investigation who participated in the shooting affray at Oklawaha, Florida, used exceedingly bad judgment and apparently he meant to convey to the writer that they would make that affair appear to be one of deliberate and malicious butcher and murder, though he did not use the exact words in which the writer has set forth this thought.

We are further informed that the Honorable Mark Wilcox, member of the United States House of Representatives from Florida, who is a close relative of Knight's, and former employer of Mrs. Adams, who also is Knight's daughter, would be brought to Miami for the trial of Adams, whether as counsel or witness he did not reveal.

P.O. Box 2118, St. Paul, Minn.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 2118,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O. #1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O. #1237; FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH MORAN,
with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRI-
SON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE L. FOW,
with aliases, I.O. #1241; OLIVER A. BENO, with
aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested
that photographs of all defendants in the above entitled matter be se-
cured, together with the names of the photographers and their respective
addresses, and that such photographers be interviewed so that the United
States Attorney may be assured the proof of the photograph will be proper.

Will you kindly obtain the above information with regard to the
photographs of ELMER BURDETTE, Cleveland Police Department #43237;
PAUL HARRISON, Cleveland Police Department #43238; and CLAUDE SAWYER,
Cleveland Police Department #43239.

This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be
included in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

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D.M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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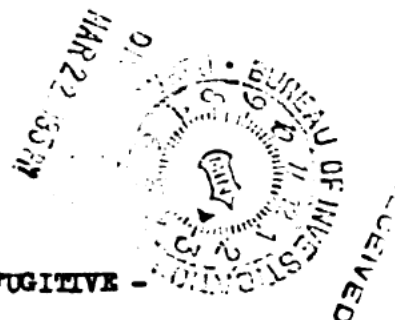
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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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March 20, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE -
I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to my report of March 13, 1935, in which it is stated that Dolores De Laney and Wynona Burdette, Subjects held in the Duval County Jail at Jacksonville, when interviewed on March twelfth had positively stated that when arraigned on the charges pending against them in the Southern District of Florida, they would plead guilty. A copy of this report was furnished to the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, after which he informed that he would immediately begin arrangements to have these two women enter their pleas of guilty in Federal Court at Jacksonville rather than be removed or returned to Miami for this purpose.

Today, John W. Holland, United States Attorney, here, informed that Judge Halsted L. Ritter, Federal Judge at Miami, had stated that it would be quite satisfactory to him if these two women were arraigned in Federal Court and pleaded guilty before Judge Louie Strum at Jacksonville; however, when Mr. Holland presented this matter to Judge Strum, the latter stated that this is primarily a Miami case and that under no circumstances would he accept the pleas of De Laney and Burdette; that he could not understand their having been removed to Jacksonville, since it appeared to him the jail on the eighteenth floor of the Court House at Miami, was much safer for their secure incarceration than was the jail at Jacksonville.

In view of the above, Mr. Holland stated that he was making arrangements with the Marshal to have De Laney and Burdette removed to Miami to enter their pleas of guilty. The arrangements effected now are that the United States Marshal will depart from Jacksonville Sunday night, March twenty-fourth, arriving Miami, Monday morning, March twenty-

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fifth, when these two defendants will be immediately taken into court for arraignment, after which the Marshal is to remove them immediately to the institutions to which they will be sentenced, if such sentence is imposed.

The Bureau will be kept advised concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC E. J. Connelley at Chicago
Saint Paul

RAA:MFS

Post Office Box 4909,
Jacksonville, Florida.

March 20, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Post Office Box 889,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases; I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I. O. 1234; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I. O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER
with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. 1240;
MYRTLE PATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241;
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

With reference to your letter of March 12, 1935, referring to
the report of Special Agent F. P. Yearaley, Jacksonville, Florida, dated
November 22, 1934, reporting results of his investigation at Jacksonville
in an attempt to ascertain the present whereabouts of Mrs. Nettie Tucker,
it being recalled that toll calls were made from William J. Harrison's
residence at 510 West Mason Street, Calumet City, Illinois, to Jackson-
ville 5-4584-W on April 14, 19, 20 and 21, 1935, and that a call was made
by Mrs. Tucker from this telephone at Jacksonville to Harrison's telephone
at Calumet City.

Pursuant to your suggestion investigation was made at Savannah,
Georgia by Agent L. E. Kingman, endeavoring to locate Harry Tucker to
ascertain whether William Harrison is presently in touch with him or has
contacted him in the past.

Agent Kingman has reported in his memorandum of March 18, 1935,
that he made a discreet and careful investigation concerning Harry Tucker,
and his wife, Nettie, at Savannah. Tucker's name has been mentioned in
several reports recently concerning hi-jacking of liquor trucks. He has
associated at times with Dewey Tidwell, well known Savannah bootlegger
and hi-jacker; also with Wilson Jenkins and his brother, Richard Jenkins,
liquor smugglers and runners.

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TO MR. CONNELLEY,
3-20-35

Agent Kingman has learned that Tucker is best known by E. A. Fitzgerald, Sergeant of Detectives. The Jacksonville Office maintains most cordial relations with this Officer, and has found him to be reliable, dependable and loyal to this Bureau.

With Fitzgerald Agent Kingman visited all of the known haunts of the above type of people at Savannah and vicinity.

Harry Tucker answers closely the description given in your letter. The freckles are specially noticeable, according to Officer Fitzgerald.

He also informed that about two years ago Tucker married a widow, Nettie Cameron, nee Nettie LaMon. She is the sister of John K. LaMon, alias "Doty" LaMon, the proprietor of the Rhinckhoff saloon in Savannah, which is located a half block from the Post Office. Nettie Tucker's father is not a politician, but her father-in-law, James Cameron, Sr., is employed in the City Treasurer's Office. She has a daughter, age about 8 or 9 years, who lives with the paternal grandparents at Savannah. While Nettie was a widow she worked for a while at the City Hall. Her uncle by marriage, Tom Cameron, is a veteran member of the Savannah Police Department.

For about twenty months Harry and Nettie Tucker have been living in or near Jacksonville, Florida. James W. Rogers, Lieut. of Police, lives near the Camerons and his children play with Nettie's daughter. Through this source, by discreet inquiry, it was learned that Harry and Nettie Tucker presently receive their mail through the Rollins Hotel at Jacksonville, but do not live there. They are reported as living on the outskirts of Jacksonville. They visit Savannah occasionally and are difficult to locate in Jacksonville.

Officers Rogers and Fitzgerald have agreed to inform Agent Kingman when the Tucker's are in Savannah. Officer Fitzgerald was furnished with a picture of William Harrison and he can be depended upon to keep any information confidential.

Investigation will be made in Jacksonville to obtain some data on Tucker. It is believed that Tucker has been assisting in several of the hi-jacking cases which have taken place in Georgia and Southern South Carolina.

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TO MR. CONNELLEY
3-20-35

Any developments in this matter will be reported promptly.

I might add that in the case of "CHARLES McNEWMAN, with aliases, NAYTA," of which Cincinnati is the Office of Origin, that an investigation has been made in the City of Jacksonville pursuant to request in a letter from the Cincinnati Office, dated January 21, 1935, endeavoring to obtain information as to the location of one Howard Douglas Vice, who escaped from the Newport, Kentucky Jail on September 9, 1934, while awaiting trial under indictment for the murder of one Charles LaPata on February 22, 1934.

In this case the report of Special Agent H. M. Bubank of the Jacksonville Office, dated March 13, 1935, reflects that he contacted Leslie Royal, Burbridge Hotel, Jacksonville, who is well known to the Jacksonville Office. Royal stated that he knew Vice in Cincinnati by the name of Mr. Howard, but that he did not learn his real name until the police at Jacksonville questioned him concerning Vice.

Royal also stated that he knew Harry and Nettie Tucker, and that he last heard of them about three weeks prior to the interview, and that the report was that they were in Savannah. He stated that Nettie Tucker's family lives there, but he did not know her name. The Jacksonville Office has been endeavoring to locate Harry and Nettie Tucker for information as to the present whereabouts of Vice.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Division ✓
St. Paul
New York
Philadelphia
Los Angeles.

Jax # 7-24
25-2886

P. O. Box 1225

Butte, Montana, March 18, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
(Special Assignment)
P. O. Box 312,
Chicago, Illinois.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1216 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I. O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. 1240;
MYRTLE L. TON with aliases, I. O. 1241, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of March 1935, in the above-captioned case, in which it is shown that a mail tracing has been received from the Post Office at Aurora, Illinois, showing that Mrs. Violet Gregg, Glasgow, Montana, General Delivery, received a letter with the return card showing the name, Emma Gregg, 303 South Broadway, Aurora, Illinois, stamped at Aurora, Illinois, February 19, 1935, I would respectfully state that this mail has had a cover upon it for some time and has been in charge of Special Agent George Costello. The mail cover is continuing.

Also your letter of March 14, 1935, in which attention is called to the report of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated February 11, 1935, page 7, in which reference is made to the possibility of Volney Davis going to Coulee Dam, Montana, I would respectfully state that so far as we have been able to ascertain there is no Coulee Dam in either Montana or Idaho. There is a Grand Coulee Dam in the State of Washington, I believe.

Very truly yours,

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| REPORT MADE AT Washington, D. C. | DATE WHEN MADE 3/21/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/11/35 | REPORT MADE BY R. F. BURRUS |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. #1240; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACT: Subject William J. Harrison, U. S. Navy enlistment, Serial #171-27-28, on 12/1/24, made application for adjusted compensation certificate; mother Mrs. May Harrison named as beneficiary, address 4539 Gibson Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri; application witnessed by Edward Regan Moore, 4520 McKinley Avenue, and by Clemence Charles Le Bayly, 4422 Leclaire Avenue, both at St. Louis, Missouri. On 7/22/27 borrowed \$45 on certificate - check sent to Subject Harrison at 21 West State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. On 4/2/31 borrowed \$205.40 on certificate - check mailed to 403 West State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. In May 1927, Subject's address (Harrison's) was 952 Edgecombe Place, Chicago, Illinois. "FLASH" placed in Veterans Administration file and U. S. Navy Department file to notify Washington Field Office when there is any subsequent communication from Subject Harrison.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated March 8, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.</p> <p>Through the cooperation of Mr. J. Herbert Taylor, Identification Division, U. S. Navy Department, it was ascertained that Subject William J. Harrison, Navy Serial #171-27-28, submitted an application for adjusted compensation on December 1, 1924, the application bearing #300994. This application was witnessed</p> | | | |
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by the two persons listed below who state that they have been acquainted with Subject Harrison for a number of years:

Edward Regan Moore, 4520 McKinley Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Clements Charles La Bayly, 4422 Laclede
Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

On May 22, 1927, Subject Harrison communicated with the Navy Department at which time his address was given as 959 Edgecombe Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Taylor was requested to place a "FLASH" notice in the file pertaining to Subject Harrison to notify the Washington Field Office upon receipt of any subsequent communication from him.

Through the cooperation of [REDACTED] Solicitor's Office, Veterans Administration, it was ascertained that on the adjusted compensation certificate issued to Subject Harrison, he named as beneficiary thereto his [REDACTED]

It will be noted that Identification Order #1239 pertaining to Subject Harrison refers to his parents as being Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harrison, Sr.

The Veterans Administration file pertaining to Subject Harrison indicates that on July 22, 1927, he negotiated a loan of \$45.00 on his adjusted compensation certificate through the regional office of the Veterans Administration at Chicago, Illinois. A check in that amount was mailed to him at 21 West State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. On April 2, 1931, Subject Harrison negotiated a loan of \$205.40 on his adjusted compensation certificate through the Veterans Administration's regional office at Hines, Illinois. A check in that amount was mailed to him at 403 West State Street, Calumet City, Illinois.

Mr. Barnes placed a "FLASH" notice in the compensation file pertaining to Subject Harrison to notify the Washington Field Office upon receipt of any further communications from him.

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THE ST. PAUL OFFICE

The attention of this office is invited to the fact that in 1927 Subject Harrison named [REDACTED] the beneficiary as follows:

[REDACTED] On Identification Order #1239 his parents are referred to as Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harrison Jr.

The matter of setting out leads for investigations at the numerous localities mentioned above where Subject Harrison received checks and mail and the question of discreetly locating and interviewing Edward Regan Moore and Clemence Charles La Bayly at St. Louis, Missouri, is being left to the discretion of the St. Paul Office for further instructions. This action is being taken by the Washington Field Office due to the fact that it cannot be established from the files here whether investigations have been previously made at these addresses.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
March 20, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1216;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. 1237 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. 1240;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

Dear Sir:

For your information, please be advised that information was received by this office on March 14, 1935, that on February 18, 1935, a man driving a 1934 Black Ford V-8 coupe bearing 1935 District of Columbia license plates #156-107 claiming to be enroute from Washington, D. C. to Chicago, Ill., purchased gasoline at a filling station in Mansfield, Ohio. The station was attended by L. W. Hartman and Dennis Schoenauer, who identified this individual as Alvin Karpis from photographs.

They stated that in the rear compartment of the car they observed two empty mail bags. This occurred about 7:30 P.M. About 8:00 P.M., this individual registered at the Tourist Home of Mrs. A. V. Spriggin, R.F.D. #4, Ashland Road and East 3rd St., Mansfield, Ohio, placing the car in her garage and departing about 8:00 P.M. the next morning. This individual registered under the name of Edmund M. Kegarise, New Castle, Pa., and claimed to be an air mail pilot flying out of Washington, D. C. but was then enroute to Chicago, Ill. He stated his home was in New Castle where his parents reside. The morning that this man departed Mrs. Spriggin observed a photograph of Karpis and is of the opinion this individual was Karpis. Local authorities at Mansfield attempted to locate him while at Mansfield, but were unsuccessful. The handwriting on the register of Kegarise does not appear to be that of Karpis.

It should be noted that Hartman, Schoenauer and Mrs. Spriggin appear to have vivid imaginations, but it is believed the identity of

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Edmund M. Kegarise, should be established to determine positively whether he is or is not Karpis therefore it is requested that it be determined to whom 1935 District of Columbia License plates 156-107, for the purpose of elimination.

Very truly yours,

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Chicago
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Wm. Larson

Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 21, 1935

Time - 12:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR *file*

Re: Bremer Case.

Edmund Bremer

I telephoned Mr. Eubank at the Jacksonville Office to ascertain definitely if Dolores Delaney is yet incarcerated in the jail there or if she has been released. Mr. Eubank asked one of the men in the office, and then called the office of the United States Marshal there, and ascertained definitely that Dolores Delaney is still in jail.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
E. A. TAMM

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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 1155,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O.#1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O.#1236; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE SATON, with
aliases, I.O.#1241; OLIVER ALBERTO, with aliases,
FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KID APING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested that
photographs of all defendants in the above entitled matter be secured,
together with the names of the photographers and their respective addresses,
and that such photographers be interviewed so that the United States At-
torney may be assured the proof of the photograph will be proper.

Will you kindly obtain the above information with regard to the
photographs of HARRY SAWYER alias HARRY J. PORCHE, Omaha Police Department
#6463; and PHILIP DELANEY, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Police Department #5410.

This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be in-
cluded in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

D.M.L.M.D.,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P.O.Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 2457,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O.#1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH MORAN,
with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O.#1238; HARRY SAWYER, with
aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
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aliases, I.O.#1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with
aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

The United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, has requested that a road map, showing the condition of the roads in the State of Illinois during the months of January and February, 1934, be obtained and that the name of the proper witness to identify this map also be obtained. He also requests that inquiry be made as to whether or not such a witness would expect expert witness fees.

Will you please obtain this map, or these maps, and the name and address of the person qualified to identify them from the Highway Department of the State of Illinois?

This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be included in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

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D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

March 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1235; VOLNEY
DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. #1237; FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH
P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1252; WILLIAM LEVY,
with aliases, I.O. #1258; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases,
I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1230;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. #1241; OLIVER A. BERG,
with aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30

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photographs of all defendants in the above entitled matter be secured, to-
gether with the names of the photographers and their respective addresses,
and that such photographers be interviewed so that the United States Attorney
may be assured the proof of the photograph will be proper.

Will you kindly obtain the above information with regard to the photo-
graph of ALVIN KARPIS, Kansas State Penitentiary #1539; FRED BARKER, Kansas
State Penitentiary #9836; ELM MURRAY, Missouri State Penitentiary #28975;
and ROBERT GRAY alias MISCHELL GIBSON, Missouri State Penitentiary #32487.

This matter should be given expeditious handling in order to be in-
cluded in the summary reports being prepared by this office.

Very truly yours,

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D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 1888

Butte, Montana, March 22, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
(Special Assignment)
P. O. Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1238;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I. O. 1237;
WILLIAM ALVEN with aliases, I. O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1238;
HARRY BARTER with aliases, I. O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. 1241, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

I would respectfully advise that I, this day, telephoned Supervisor Newby of the Bureau at Washington, D. C., advising that Special Agent George Costello is seriously ill and that the doctor, who is treating him, advises that he will be confined to his bed or room for at least ten days. Agent Costello has proceeded to Butte to be under treatment of a specialist. Supervisor Newby advised that this arrangement was all right in view of the fact that all contacts in Glasgow, Montana, where Special Agent Costello has been stationed, have been advised to notify the Butte Office immediately upon their gaining knowledge of any new developments. Supervisor Newby also advised that in view of the fact that the Butte Office is short of Agents, in the event an Agent would have to be sent to Glasgow, assignment would probably be made from the St. Paul Office, as an Agent could reach Glasgow as soon from St. Paul approximately as from Butte.

Supervisor Newby also advised that you be notified, as well as a copy of the letter notifying you be sent to the St. Paul Office.

Very truly yours,

D. E. RICKASON
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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| REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY | DATE WHEN MADE: 3/20/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/15,16,17,18,19/35 | REPORT MADE BY: W. P. SKERRY |
| ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1235; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Alice Conrad arrived 42nd Street Terminal, Great Eastern Bus Company, 11 P.M. March 14, 1935; did not contact any one enroute Chicago to New York; was not met at Terminal. Taxied to 54 West 36th Street where she was met by Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti (latter probably sister of Alice Conrad) who occupy Apartment #2 said address. Conrad woman presently residing with the Morattis and has been under continuous surveillance since arrival. To date she has not contacted Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sawyer. Cover has been placed on mail and telegrams received by Conrad woman and the Morattis. Surveillance being continued. | | | |
| REFERENCES: Teletype from the Chicago office dated March 15, 1935. | | | |
| DETAILS: AT NEW YORK CITY With reference to the teletype from the Chicago office Agent contacted Mr. Rosen, General Manager of the Great Eastern Bus System at his New York office, 246 West 42nd Street. He referred to the money order record and found that order #8, dated March 13, 1935, was forwarded to the Cleveland headquarters of the company for re-forwarding to the Chicago office, and called for a round trip ticket from Chicago to New York and return, and \$1.60 in cash being furnished Alice Conrad, s/o Great Eastern Terminal, 332 West Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. | | | |
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and that passenger be advised to get off bus at 59 West 36th Street Terminal, New York City.

The address, 59 West 36th Street, is the Union Motor Coach Terminal, used as a downtown terminal by the Great Eastern Bus System and several other transportation lines. According to Mr. Rosen, the money and the order for the round trip transportation were received by Cashier Finnerty at the Union Motor Coach Terminal, 59 West 36th Street, New York City.

Finnerty was interviewed. He stated that inadvertently, due to congestion at his window just before 11 A.M. March 13, 1935 he neglected to secure the name and address of the person purchasing the round trip transportation referred to above. He stated that about 10:50 A.M. a woman, name unknown to him who, according to Finnerty, daily passes through the station from 36th Street to 37th Street, apparently enroute to business, called at his window, deposited \$25 and arranged for the forwarding of the transportation and instructions to Alice Conrad at Chicago. Finnerty states that approximately two or three weeks previously this woman first made inquiry relative to the possibility of furnishing a round trip transportation to a friend in Chicago and discussed with him the best method of handling the matter; also, on several occasions since that time, has secured time tables and information concerning routes and accommodations.

Finnerty described this woman as follows:

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| Age | Approximately 35 years |
| Height | 5' |
| Weight | 160 - 170 lbs. |
| Hair | Black |
| Complexion | Very dark as to eyes and eyebrows but pale as to face. |
| | Appears to be either Italian, black Irish or Jewish; very attractive in appearance. |
| | Very well dressed wearing a mink or imitation mink coat and a felt hat with brim turned up on the side. |

(The above description proved to be inaccurate inasmuch as Agent personally viewed this woman and found her to be approximately 35 years of age; 5'10" tall, weighing about 150 pounds; hair, black, long and worn flat; complexion dark as to eyebrows and eyes but pale as to skin; at first appearance would impress as being either Italian, Jewish or Southern European; fairly attractive; well dressed; wears black hat and a mink or imitation, dark brown coat).

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Upon Finnerty's advising that this woman passed through the station daily just prior to 11 A.M. Agent arranged with Finnerty to have the latter point out to agent, who had stationed himself in the terminal, the woman in the event she passed through the terminal the morning of March 16, 1935. However, after maintaining a surveillance from 10:30 until 11:30 Finnerty advised that, apparently, the woman did not go to business on Saturdays, and the surveillance was discontinued.

Upon instructions from Acting Special Agent in Charge Rhea Whitley, Special Agents were designated to take up surveillance of the Conrad woman upon her arrival in New York and in the event she left the bus subsequent to its arrival at Easton, Pa. As per these instructions, Special Agents R. T. Ross, W. H. Binn, W. V. McLaughlin, and G. J. Starr, in Bureau automobile, proceeded to Easton, Pa. and there met the Great Eastern Bus in which the Conrad woman and Special Agent Suran were proceeding to New York. This bus arrived at Easton, Pa. at 7:50 P.M. and shortly thereafter Agent Ross made contact with Special Agent Suran who discreetly designated the person (Alice Conrad) being kept under surveillance by Special Agent Suran. The other agents followed this bus from Easton to New York, ready to take up surveillance in the event the Conrad woman left the bus prior to its arrival at its New York terminal. Special Agent Suran reported that the Conrad woman did not make any contact with any one enroute Chicago to New York. Because of some operating difficulty, the bus did not follow its regular schedule of making the first stop in New York at its terminal on West 42nd Street and then continuing on to its terminal on West 36th Street and it disembarked all its passengers at West 42nd Street terminal, which is located between 7th and 8th Avenues, on the south side of West 42nd Street. This terminal was being covered by Special Agents M. W. McFarlin, T. H. Tracy, and F. J. Kilmartin. Upon the arrival of the bus at its 42nd Street terminal the identity of the Conrad woman was communicated to these agents by Special Agent R. T. Ross and surveillance was continued by them. It was observed that the Conrad woman attempted to secure or call some telephone number in one of the booths in the station but apparently was unsuccessful and then secured a taxicab and instructed that she be taken to 54 West 36th Street.

Agents T. H. Tracy, W. V. McLaughlin, M. W. McFarlin, F. J. Kilmartin, G. J. Starr and W. H. Binn followed the taxicab to 54 West 36th Street where the Conrad woman left it. It was observed that she pressed a certain bell in the apartment hallway but apparently received no answer and then waited in the hallway, apparently at a loss as to what she should do. Shortly thereafter a man whom it was later learned is Carlo Moratti (apparently the husband of the woman with whom Alice Conrad is now living and who resembles her sufficiently to indicate a very close relationship, probably that of sister) left the bus station on West 36th Street where he and his wife were waiting the arrival of the Conrad woman, walked

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across the street to 54 West 56th Street, observed the Conrad woman in the doorway and had her accompany him back to the bus station where it was observed that the Conrad woman and Mrs. Moratti embraced. All three then returned to 54 West 56th Street and shortly thereafter the lights in Apartment #8 located third floor, front, of this building, were turned on.

Immediate inquiry developed that this building contains two business firms and six residential apartments. The ground floor is occupied by a stationery concern; the second floor by a manufacturer of artificial flowers such as those used in trimming women's hats; the apartments, according to the nameplates on the bells, are occupied as follows:

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| Apartment 1 | - Mrs. Bishop |
| Apartment 2 | - Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti |
| Apartment 3 | - Mrs. Henius |
| Apartment 4 | - Mr. J. Peters (janitor) |
| Apartment 5 | - Mr. and Mrs. Ashess |
| Apartment 6 | - Mr. Lester |

These names were subsequently confirmed during conversation with Jerry Peters, superintendent and janitor, of this building. At this time he advised that the odd number of apartments are at the back of the house, and the even numbers face on the front of the house, that is, on West 56th Street. He advised that Mrs. Bishop is an elderly lady, and has been at this address for several years; that Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti referred to by him as Italians, have been there some time; that Mrs. Henius is an elderly lady; that Mr. and Mrs. Ashess are a Jewish family and have resided there quite some time, and that Mr. Lester, business unknown to him, rented this apartment the week of March 11, 1935.

The surveillance was then continued with Special Agents J. E. Seykora, T. H. Tracy, and W. F. Seery posted in a position on West 56th Street which would enable them to take up surveillance in the event the Conrad woman was observed to leave this address.

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At approximately 1:35 A.M. the Conrad woman, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti, left 54 West 36th Street, proceeded on 5th Avenue, to 42nd Street, down 42nd Street to Broadway, over Broadway to 41st Street, east on 41st Street to 6th Avenue, south on 6th Avenue, to 36th Street, and east on 36th Street, to #54, which they entered. Shortly thereafter the lights were extinguished.

Neither the Morattis nor the Conrad woman again emerged until approximately 8 P.M. Sunday, March 17. Alice Conrad was alone, and she walked to 55 West 35th Street, which she entered and inquired as to apartments, remained a few minutes and then returned to 54 West 36th Street. Agent R. L. Morgan, who was following her, reported that as she left the house, Carlo Moratti or a man who resembled him, entered but that the Conrad woman and the man believed to be Moratti were not observed to greet each other. Agent Morgan also reports that during her walk the Conrad woman looked around as if she knew she was being followed, or as if looking for some one. Her subsequent activities do not indicate the likelihood of this and it is believed that her observations are merely those of any out of town person visiting New York for the first time). At 9:45 P.M. the Conrad woman was observed to leave this address the same day, March 17, 1935. She was accompanied by the man and woman known as Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti. They carried two orange kitchen chairs with them and all three proceeded to the address 32 West 37th Street, the lower floor of which is occupied by "The Swiss American Restaurant." They went upstairs and apparently entered one of the apartments located in the building. Agent J. J. Keating entered the vestibule with a view of securing the names of the various tenants and while there observed Mr. Carlo Moratti go downstairs and enter the doorway on the ground floor. Agent Keating reports that Moratti acted as if he was well acquainted with the premises and it is the belief of Agent Keating that Moratti is connected in some way with the Swiss Restaurant.

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At 11:30 P.M. four men and two women left the building at 32 West 37th Street. One of the men was Moratti. The other three men and the two women entered a Ford sedan bearing New York 1935 license number 12817. (Subsequent inquiry at the Motor Vehicle Bureau developed that this license plate had been issued to Rudolph Frassinelli, 78 B. Cross Street, Buffern, New York, for a Ford sedan). At this time Moratti had with him a small brown dog and with the dog he walked east on 37th Street a short time before reentering 32 West 37th Street.

At 12:30 A.M. March 18, 1935 Moratti and four women, two of whom were Alice Conrad and Mrs. Moratti, the other two being unknown, short, stocky and elderly, left the building at 32 West 37th Street. The two short, stocky women proceeded toward 5th Avenue while the Conrad woman and the Morattis carrying with them the two chairs returned to their residence at 54 West 36th Street. At 10:50 A.M. Mrs. Moratti was observed to leave her residence at 54 West 36th Street. She proceeded to Annette's Restaurant, at 58 West 39th Street, where it was learned she is employed as a waitress.

At 1:20 P.M. the Conrad woman left the Moratti residence, and proceeded to the Swiss American Restaurant, at 32 West 37th Street. She contacted a woman who accompanied her to the third floor (the restaurant occupies the first two floors).

The managers of the Swiss American Restaurant are Bryner and Robert.

The other occupants of the building are:

Harry Denoff, hosiery business, telephone Longacre 5-9106.
Colonel Arthur F. Foran, unpublished telephone number.
B. L. Hoffman, Medallion 3-7514, (He also has another telephone Wisconsin 7-4414) and appears to be in the cigar business.
L. McHugh, unpublished telephone number.
Doris and Donald Showalter, Wisconsin 7-3159.

In addition to these occupants the post office boxes in the vestibule of the building indicate that Jeanne Brilli occupies Apartment 4, and that Brennan and Lange are also occupants of the building.

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At approximately 8 P.M. the Conrad woman and the two other unknown women left 32 West 37th Street. Surveillance maintained by Special Agents L. W. Arms, J. L. Dalton, and T. H. Tracy.

They proceeded to Woolworth's Five and Ten Cent Store, 5th Avenue near 34th Street, and then continued to the second floor of Gimbel's Department Store, examined considerable merchandise but apparently bought nothing. One of these two women appeared to Special Agent Tracy to have a profile similar to that of Gladys Sawyer. However she does not in any way answer the description of the Sawyer woman as to age or build. Arrangements were made to have Special Agent Suran, who knows Gladys Sawyer, observe this woman to determine if she is Gladys Sawyer.

After leaving Gimbel's approximately 4 P.M. the Conrad woman returned to the Moratti residence at 54 West 36th Street, and the other two women returned to 32 West 37th Street.

Due to the crowded condition of the streets in the vicinity of 54 West 36th Street during week days it was necessary for those conducting surveillance to station themselves in the immediate vicinity of #54. Their continued presence in this vicinity apparently aroused considerable speculation on the part of various occupants of nearby buildings, janitors, superintendents and other building employees. It was deemed advisable to secure as early as possible an observation post not visible to the casual observer but which would afford an excellent point from which to observe all persons entering and leaving 54 West 36th Street, therefore, Special Agent G. J. Starr contacted M. Bonaparte, superintendent of #35, #37, #39 and #41 West 36th Street, and arranged with him for the use of a vacant loft on the third floor of the building at 41 West 36th Street, formerly occupied by dealers in secondhand machinery. The windows of this loft face out on West 36th Street and command a view of the premises occupied by the Morattis and the Conrad woman. Immediately after securing the use of this vacant loft, the street surveillance was discontinued and agents were stationed in the loft building, however, Bureau autos were stationed at points at 5th and 6th Avenues which would enable them to pick up surveillance in the event it was observed that the Conrad woman left in a motor vehicle.

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A telephone was installed in the vacant loft to enable direct communication with the New York Bureau office and eliminate the necessity for the numerous coming and going to a telephone at the corner of 6th Avenue, previously used by the Bureau agents in communicating with the office. Surveillance the balance of the afternoon and night of March 18th established that the Conrad woman did not leave Apartment #2, 54 West 36th Street during that period. From the left observation post, agents were able to observe her in the apartment with Mrs. Moratti. Both spent the night until retiring engaged in reading magazines and books.

Arrangements were made with the New York Post Office authorities for this office to be furnished with tracings of all mail received by Alice Conrad, and by Mrs. Carlo Moratti at 54 West 36th Street and 532 West 57th Street, New York City. Similar arrangements were made by Special Agent F. E. O'Donnell with H. T. Staub of the Legal Division of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Deputy Comptroller Strickland of the Postal Telegraph Company and this office will be advised of the receipt of any telegrams by the above named persons.

Due to the very active curiosity aroused in J. Peters, superintendent of the building at 54 West 36th Street, as a result of the close surveillance maintained by agents prior to the securing of vacant loft at 41 West 36th Street, agent contacted the rental agents for the building, Clements and Dowd, with offices at 102 West 48th Street. At agent's suggestion Mr. Clements instructed Superintendent Peters to call at his office where he was interviewed by agent. Mr. Peters admitted that his curiosity was aroused and stated that he hadn't any idea that those maintaining surveillance were interested in any person or firm occupying 54 West 36th Street (he was not advised to the contrary). He stated he assumed that agents were police officers basing this belief on the fact that when approached by police officers (agents were approached several times by police officers due to the fact that adequate surveillance required the parking of Bureau cars in a zone more or less restricted to commercial vehicles), agents apparently satisfied the officers and were not required to leave the position as would other persons without official connections. Mr. Peters stated that he is willing to cooperate 100% with government agents. He assumed that agents were engaged in investigations pertaining to narcotics. (This belief was not corrected), and offered his assistance at any time. It was not believed advisable at this time to evince any particular interest in the Morattis or their guest, however, the possibility of arranging for dictaphone installation in the Moratti apartment with the assistance of Peters is under consideration and if decided upon, Peters' offer of cooperation will be utilized.

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At 12:50 P.M. March 19, 1935 Alice Conrad and Carlo Moratti left 54 West 36th Street, and proceeded to the Great Eastern Bus Station, on the same street. They there talked with Ticket Agent Finnerty, inquiring as to how the Conrad woman was to secure \$1.42 refund from the bus line, explaining that this sum was the difference between the round trip ticket from Chicago to New York, and the \$25 deposited by Mrs. Moratti which should have been turned over to her at Chicago but which she did not receive. She was advised to communicate with the main office of the bus company at Cleveland, O., and they will forward to her the amount in question.

Under observation by Special Agents W. E. Bihns and M. W. McFarlin, the Moratti woman and Moratti proceeded to a restaurant at 60 West 46th Street. After partaking of some food the Conrad woman proceeded to Loew's Lincoln Theatre, Broadway near 65th Street. Agents are maintaining surveillance at this building at the time this report is being dictated.

A continuous log of this surveillance is being maintained at the New York Bureau office.

The description of Carlo Moratti is as follows:

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| Age | 35 |
| Height | 5'9" or 5'10" |
| Weight | 170 pounds |
| Hair | Dark; worn combed flat; apparently greased. |
| Eyes | Dark |
| | Bears slight resemblance to George Raft. |
| | Wears gray suit; frequently leaves house without hat. |

Photographs and descriptions of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sawyer have been furnished to agents engaged in surveillance.

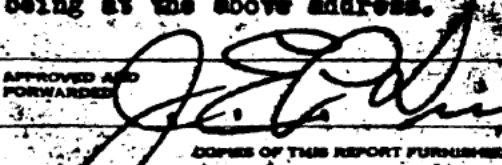
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL**

FILE NO. **7-22**

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| REPORT MADE AT: Los Angeles | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-18-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-21-35 2-4-35 2-23-35 | REPORT MADE BY: C. D. WHITE |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1212 - FUGITIVE DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236 VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237 WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239 | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240 MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; ET AL Edward George Bremer - Victim | | | |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>J. RUSSELL SHAKFLE advises his wife Jane is sister of MRS. KIMER HARRISON and MRS. DONALD HARRISON, and that subject HARRISON, in October, 1934, made two casual social calls, and also called on MRS. SHAKFLE's sister, MARY DICK, of Beverly Hills, Calif. Subject HARRISON, in October, 1934, made two weeks' stay at home of his cousin, B. GREGGERSON, departing via plane under name of KIMER HOME. Surveillance at 3547 Sabina Street, Los Angeles, without result. FRANKIE FOSTER reported residing Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Miami, Florida.</p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: <p>Letters from St. Louis Bureau Office dated 1-18-35 and 2-4-35, letters from Detroit Office dated 2-23-35 and 2-28-35, and letter from SAC Connelley, Chicago, 3-11-35.</p> | | | |
| DETAILS: <p>Reference letter of January 18, 1935 reflects that tracings of letters addressed to KIMER HARRISON, 4539 Gibson Avenue, St. Louis, bore return address of J. P. SAWYER, 1128 So. Kenmore, and requested that discreet investigation be conducted to determine the possibility of HARRISON or other members of the Barker-Karpis gang being at the above address.</p> | | | |
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In connection therewith, it was ascertained that the premises at 1128 South Kenmore are occupied by MR. and MRS. J. RUSSELL SHAEFLE; that MR. SHAEFLE has been employed in the capacity of clerk at the Pacific Electric Railway Company, Los Angeles, for the past fourteen years, and bears an excellent reputation.

The premises were kept under surveillance by the writer for a period of time, after which

and a reliable informant known to this office, was interviewed. [redacted] advised that, in his opinion, MR. SHAEFLE was absolutely trustworthy and reliable, could be openly approached with respect to the mail emanating from his address to St. Louis. Further surveillance of the premises was continued, during which time it was ascertained that the SHAEFLE family consists of MR. and MRS. SHAEFLE and one child; that their habits were regular; that MR. SHAEFLE departed in the morning regularly and returned in the evening regularly, MRS. SHAEFLE being unemployed. No other individuals, other than those mentioned above, were seen about the premises.

Accordingly, MR. SHAEFLE was interviewed at the Los Angeles Bureau Office and, upon being open and frank in his statements and giving every evidence of reliable cooperation, he was questioned as to his knowledge of subject HARRISON. In this connection, MR. SHAEFLE advised that his wife Jane is a sister to MRS. KIMBER HARRISON and MRS. DONALD HARRISON of St. Louis; that the girls had naturally corresponded, one with the other, since MRS. SHAEFLE'S departure from St. Louis.

MR. SHAEFLE further advised that in the latter part of 1934, he believes in October, they were visited by subject WILLIE HARRISON on two separate occasions, one visit about one week removed from the other; that on the occasion of these visits, he stated he was merely in California on vacation, did not state where he was residing, and the visits generally were more or less formal.

MR. SHAEFLE further advised that, to his knowledge, his wife has never received any communication from subject HARRISON, and their friendship seemed to be merely one of a marital relationship; that HARRISON'S visit was merely a gesture of courtesy on his part for the benefit of her two sisters in St. Louis; that HARRISON did not state his occupation, or where he had been in the past few years, other than that he was located in Chicago.

MR. SHAEFLE further advised that sometime after HARRISON'S visit, he read a newspaper account relating to some criminal association on the part of HARRISON with the Chicago gangsters, particularly the Karpis gang; that he, MR. SHAEFLE, and his wife were considerably disturbed over the item, in view of their relationship to subject; that his wife's sisters,

as well as her sisters' husbands, are considered highly respectable people, and that his wife and her sisters were apprehensive as to any publicity which might be attached to the family name in view of their marital relationship to subject.

MR. SHAFER exhibited every indication of being cooperative to the utmost, and advised that, in the event he should hear of or from subject, either directly or indirectly, he would have no hesitancy in advising this office. MR. SHAFER in this connection stated that during the entire period of his married life, his wife has never received a communication of any kind from subject HARRISON, and that he, SHAFER, was seriously of the opinion that subject HARRISON could not write.

With respect to the above interview, it is deemed advisable at this point of the instant report to refer to reference letter of February 4, 1935, emanating from the St. Louis Office. MR. SHAFER, in connection with subject HARRISON'S visit to Los Angeles, advised that his wife has another sister, MARY DICK, who resides with her father at 500 North Swall Drive, Beverly Hills, California; that on the occasion of WILLIE HARRISON'S visit to Los Angeles, he made mention of the fact that he was going to call on MARY DICK and her father; that he, SHAFER, had gained the impression from some remark made by subject HARRISON, that the latter entertained some feeling toward MARY; that he, MR. SHAFER, would discreetly ascertain what friendship, if any, existed between MARY and subject HARRISON prior to any inquiry on the part of this office with that individual.

MR. SHAFER subsequently reported to the writer that he had talked with MARY DICK, and that she stated to him that subject HARRISON had on two occasions visited with her while he was in Los Angeles during the latter part of October, 1934; that on one particular occasion, while dining at the Brown Derby on Wilshire Blvd., the establishment was entered by police officers who apparently dropped in to eat, and that subject HARRISON exhibited considerable nervousness and left the place without completing his meal; that MARY had wondered about the actions of HARRISON, and that during the time that the previously-mentioned item appeared in the newspapers as to subject HARRISON'S activities in Chicago, she recalled subject HARRISON'S activities at the Brown Derby with the article in question, and expressed considerable apprehension as to what possibly might have happened, and the subsequent embarrassment to her, had subject HARRISON been recognized at the Brown Derby. MR. SHAFER advised that in his opinion, MARY DICK could be relied upon absolutely to advise of any contact she might have from subject in the future.

MARY DICK and her father will, of course, be interviewed in the immediate future relative thereto.

With respect to letter of reference dated February 4, 1935, wherein representatives of the American Airways in St. Louis advised that

a ticket was purchased in Los Angeles on October 29, 1934 by ELMER HOWE, 6718 8th Avenue, investigation disclosed that the premises, a small bungalow, is occupied by MR. and MRS. B. GREGGERSON. Further investigation disclosed that MR. GREGGERSON is a fireman located at the 38th Street and Western Avenue Station. Surveillance of the premises disclosed same to be occupied only by MR. and MRS. GREGGERSON and a small boy about ten years of age. Further inquiry disclosed that MR. GREGGERSON had been connected with the Los Angeles Fire Department for a number of years and is considered trustworthy and reliable.

MR. GREGGERSON, upon interview, advised that he is a cousin to WILLIE HARRISON; that that individual, during October of 1934, without forewarning or invitation, visited him for approximately two weeks; that he, MR. GREGGERSON, upon subject's departure, personally drove him to the airport, and at that time learned that he used the name of HOWE; that he made mental note of the fact, but said nothing to HARRISON concerning the matter, although he, GREGGERSON, thought it peculiar that subject would use that name.

MR. GREGGERSON further advised that he has known subject and his brothers since childhood; that he, GREGGERSON, and subject HARRISON formerly caddied together in St. Louis, and that subject HARRISON many years ago attempted to induce him, GREGGERSON, to come to Chicago for a connection with one of the golf clubs; that he, GREGGERSON, has known for sometime that subject HARRISON'S activities have been somewhat questionable, although he did not know specifically that he was engaged in any criminal activities until after subject HARRISON'S departure; that subsequent thereto, he was apprised of HARRISON'S criminal connections in Chicago through a newspaper item which reflected that he escaped from some notorious gangster's apartment when the latter was arrested; that he has read, or heard some place, that subject HARRISON is wanted in some connection with a kidnaping case; that upon reading the article, he and his wife became quite concerned, in that they enjoy a good reputation in Los Angeles, where he has a steady position which he does not care to jeopardize by the embarrassment which would naturally be attached to his name, were the fact to become known that HARRISON visited with him for the period above mentioned in Los Angeles, even though he, GREGGERSON, at that time did not know of subject's criminal activities.

MR. GREGGERSON stated that he has known subject HARRISON as the "colonel"; that he is so known to his most intimate friends, or was at least during his early childhood; that his relationship of first-cousin to subject HARRISON comes about by the fact that subject's father married the sister of GREGGERSON'S father; that he had not seen subject prior to his visit to Los Angeles for a considerable period of time; that subject HARRISON never responds, and that he had no intimation that he was coming to Los Angeles until he made his appearance at his home; that he was of the opinion that HARRISON obtained his address from one of the HARRISONS in St. Louis.

MR. GREGGERSON stated that subject HARRISON was exceptionally well dressed when he arrived, and appeared to be financially well fixed; that he mentioned the fact that he intended to fly to Chicago and stop over at St. Louis to visit his people. MR. GREGGERSON attributes the fact of subject's failure to correspond with his friends to his illiteracy, stating that it is his impression that HARRISON received but very little education.

MR. GREGGERSON stated he inquired of subject HARRISON where he was located, and that subject replied he was located "in and about Chicago".

MR. GREGGERSON assured the writer that, in the event he should in the future obtain any information concerning subject HARRISON, or if subject HARRISON should put in an appearance in Los Angeles, he would have no hesitancy in advising this office.

Attached to the copies of this report for the St. Louis Bureau Office is a photograph of subject HARRISON furnished by that office.

MR. GREGGERSON advised that the father of MARY DICK, MR. WILLIAM DICK, is presently occupied as a gardener and lives on the premises at 300 North Swall Drive, said premises being occupied mainly by the Berkeley Hall School.

Relative to reference letter of February 28, 1935 from the Detroit Bureau Office, investigation at 3547 Sabina Street, Los Angeles, disclosed that the premises are occupied by a comparatively new stucco, four-room apartment, duplex-type flat. Continued observation of the premises, particularly 3547 of the flat in question, failed to disclose the presence of the Buick Sedan mentioned in letter of reference dated February 23, 1935 from the Detroit Office. Continued surveillance was conducted at the premises, but no activity therein could be observed. The house remained in total darkness during the nights of February 28th, March 1st, 2nd and 3rd. On the evening of March 5th, a Ford V8 Sedan, black in color, the number of which could not be obtained by the writer without disclosing his presence, stopped in front of the premises and discharged a woman passenger carrying a suitcase. This woman appeared to be between thirty and thirty-five years of age, 5' 7" tall, weighing 135 pounds, hair blonde, complexion fair, build medium. Continued surveillance from date last mentioned to the present time has been unproductive with respect to the car mentioned and any mail occupants of the premises.

Inquiry of MR. EMIL NEUMAN, Carrier No. 192, Station "L", 366 So. Whittier Blvd., disclosed that 3547 is occupied by a MR. and MRS. MCKENZIE and has been so occupied by them during the past two years. The remaining apartments are occupied by WELSH, STANLEY and JOURNEY, none of the initials being recalled by MR. NEUMAN. MR. NEUMAN advised that the last named individuals have likewise been on the premises for approximately two years;

that so far as he was able to recall, he has delivered no mail for the individuals named in reference letter of February 23, 1935, more particularly to anyone by the name of FITZGERALD or BOBARD. The cooperation of MR. NEUMAN has been solicited to the end where, should any mail other than mail for the individuals above named be directed to the 3547 Sabina Street address, he will immediately notify this office through his inspector EDWARD CLINE, with whom the writer has spoken. The surveillance of the above residence will be continued.

Relative to reference letter of March 11, 1935, it was ascertained through Lieutenant Detective RICHARD LUCAS, Los Angeles Police Department, who is a reliable contact of this office, that FRANKIE FOSTER, who is well known in Los Angeles, is presently residing at the Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Miami Florida. Lieutenant LUCAS advised that his information in this respect was as recent as March 9, 1935. This information was telegraphically forwarded to the Chicago Bureau Office - the Jacksonville Bureau Office was not advised.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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March 21, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 8, 1935 transmitting three photographic enlargements of latent fingerprints which were obtained by the Parsons, Kansas, Police Department at the scene of a robbery of a safe deposit vault in Parsons, in connection with the case entitled, Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. 1218, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I.O. 1236, Edward George Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

One of the three latent impressions appearing on the photograph presents sufficient characteristic detail to permit classification and has been searched through the single fingerprint file maintained in the Bureau without effecting an identification. In addition the latent prints have been compared with the fingerprints of the following persons with negative results.

Martin J. Langdon, #743273.
Luskco Johnson, #673410.
Russell E. Lane, #584993.
Charles J. Fitzgerald, #95780.
Joseph P. Moran, #794777.
William Weaver, #17920.
Russell Gibson, Deceased.
Dock Barker, #289428.
Harry Sawyer, #421833.
Marjorie Keating, #822111.
Mrs. Dorothy Proctor, #1953,
Kansas City, Kansas.
Glyde Himerick, #77961.
Harry Campbell, #419836.
Bertha Engler, #822151.

Paula Harmon, #105880.
Alvin Karpis, #199217.
Jess Doyle, #99402.
Mrs. Jack Snyder, #454360.
Myrtle Eaton, #337474.
Charles P. Clouse, #188726.
Volney Davis, #400441.
John G. Hagan, #17234.
William J. Harrison, #727007.
Oliver A. Berg, #98546.
Irene McCann, #386228.
Bert Angus, #509063.
Bruno Austin, #785173.
Brent Glasscock, #79336.

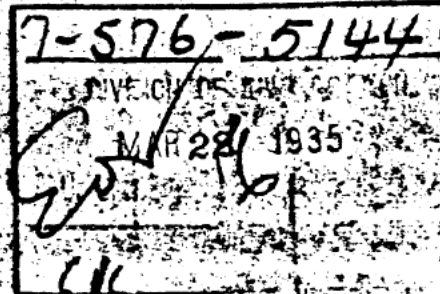
Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Chicago. OF INVESTIGATION,
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Post Office Drawer #1487,
St. Louis, Missouri,
March 21, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Drawer 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O.
#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMP-
BELL, with aliases, I. O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O.
#1237; ET AL. EDWARD G. BREMER -
VICTIM. Kidnaping.

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram to this
Office, dated March 20, 1935, in which it is stated that the War
Department records show that the Rock Island Arsenal reports that
it has possession of a chest containing Browning automatic rifle
#211774. In this connection, please be advised that Special
Agent D. S. Hostetter of this Office made investigation at the
Rock Island Arsenal on March 13, 1935 and found that the records
there show that said gun was inspected in July of 1930 and placed
in chest #7973 with four other similar guns and stacked in a
store room with 9,500 similar chests. The detailed information
regarding the investigation by Agent Hostetter was contained in
his report dated at St. Louis, Missouri March 19, 1935. His re-
port contains a lead for the Washington Field Office, requesting
that the General Ordnance of the War Department be contacted, in
an effort to obtain approval for the necessary expenditure to make
a search of the guns stored at the Rock Island Arsenal, for the
purpose of verifying the presence of the Browning automatic rifle
#211774. Upon completion of the above mentioned lead, this in-
vestigation will receive expeditious attention.

Very truly yours,

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St. Paul

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in
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P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
March 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Jacksonville, Florida

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218 - FUGITIVE
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. 1237
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I. O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I. O. 1239
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I. O. 1240
MYRTLE LATON, with aliases, I. O. 1241; ET AL.
Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING

L. A. File #7-42

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the telegraphic request of
Mr. E. J. Connelley of March 19, 1935, there is transmitted
herewith the photograph of Mrs. Frank Foster.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DURN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc/ Bureau
E. J. Connelley

Via Air Mail

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PD, Chicago, Ill?

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 26, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,
I have caused a search of the files of the Identification
Division to be made for a possible record of Mrs. Frank
Foster. Please be advised that a search of the files, on
the basis of the information furnished, fails to disclose
any record of this person.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 16, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS
with aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER
with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; HARRY
SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE
EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

Reference is made to letter emanating from this office dated
1/26/35, and teletype messages dated 2/12/35, 3/1/35 and 3/6/35,
requesting authority to make payments to [redacted] informant in
the above captioned case. This letter and these teletypes explain
possibilities as an informant in locating subjects of this
case.

The Bureau was requested on 3/6/35 by teletype to grant
authority to pay [redacted] not too exceed \$10.00 per day for a period
of ten days for the purpose of the rental of an automobile for his
use in contacting underworld characters in an attempt to locate
Karpis and other members of this gang in Chicago and vicinity. It
is believed that [redacted] is making a conscientious effort to locate
these subjects and it is believed that the possibilities of his meet-
ing with success are promising. He has explained that in making his
various underworld contacts the use of a rented car was dangerous
for him, due to the fact that his underworld associates believe him
to be financially embarrassed at this time and are unable to under-
stand how he is able to rent automobiles, and also due to the fact
that an automobile is not always available for his use when he obtains
information concerning an important lead which might be advantageous
to him.

[redacted] has suggested that he be furnished the sum of \$100.00
in order to purchase a small second-hand automobile in his own name
for use in making his various contacts. He explained that the same

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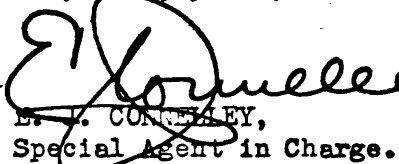
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would pay for itself in a very short while in comparison with the high rate he is required to pay for rented cars.

The Chicago Bureau office would appreciate being advised by teletype as soon as possible whether or not it is the Bureau's opinion that such a sum should be advanced to [REDACTED]. It should be stated in conclusion that [REDACTED] is making a sincere effort to locate members of this gang and judging from the information furnished by him in the past he is reliable.

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Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,
I am transmitting herewith five copies of abstract of
criminal record and twelve photographs as appearing
in the files of the Identification Division of Frank
Foreman, alias Frankie Foster, our file #297844.

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Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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Dear Sir:

Mr. I.P. Conway, Manager of the Coast Garage has advised that he holds a bill against this automobile for two nights storage at \$1.00 per night, one wash at \$2.00, six quarts of oil at \$2.10, and one lubrication at \$1.50, the bill totaling \$7.60.

Will you kindly advise me in the premises?

Very truly yours,

**R.G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.**

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:HAM.

March 21, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE -
I. O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

This is with reference to Mr. Tamm's long distance telephone conversation with Special Agent (A) H. M. Eubank of the Jacksonville Office at twelve M., today, when I was absent from the office at lunch. In this conversation, Mr. Tamm inquired whether Subject Dolores De Laney was still confined in the Duval County Jail at Jacksonville, or whether she had been released. After calling the Marshal's Office, Agent Eubank advised Mr. Tamm that De Laney was still incarcerated in the County Jail, here.

In this connection, reference is made to my letter of March 20th in which I advised the Bureau that De Laney and Burdette would plead guilty in Federal Court at Miami, Florida, on Monday, March twenty-fifth; that the Marshal would remove these two persons to Miami, leaving Jacksonville Sunday night and arriving in Miami early Monday morning.

Reference is also made to another letter I forwarded to the Bureau on March twentieth, confirming my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm on March nineteenth. This was relative to a telegram forwarded from Miami, Florida, on December 29, 1934, to T. C. Blackburn (Fred Barker) care Carson Bradford, Oklawaha, Florida, which is signed "Cash". As you will recall, for some days we have been endeavoring to obtain the original telegram from the Western Union Telegraph Company at Miami, Florida. I have just been advised by the United States Attorney, from Miami, that he has completed arrangements to obtain this telegram Monday morning, March 25, 1935. On this date Federal Judge Ritter will sign an order requiring the Superintendent of the telegraph company to produce this

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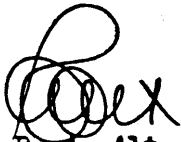
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To: The Director

March 21, 1935

telegram in court. As soon as I am able to obtain it, same will be forwarded to the Bureau for comparison with the handwriting of Subject Cassius McDonald with aliases.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC E. J. Connelley at Chicago
Saint Paul

P. O. Box 708
Portland, Oregon

March 19, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley
P. O. Box 818
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1234;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM LEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

This will refer to your letter of March 9th concerning an individual known as Walla Walla White, who is reported to be very friendly with Harry Sawyer, requesting information concerning this individual be obtained through the Washington State Penitentiary at Walla Walla, Washington.

You are advised that Special Agent Eberstein conducted inquiry at the penitentiary, causing a search to be made of the records, and making inquiries of all known sources in Walla Walla, both inside the penitentiary and out, in an effort to obtain information concerning an individual known as Walla Walla White. No such individual could be located, but there are enclosed herewith photographs, descriptions and criminal records of four individuals whose nicknames are Tennessee Whitey, Spokane Whitey, Whitey and one Don White. Don White is known as Society Whitey, the Gentleman Burglar.

It is not known whether any of these individuals could be the Walla Walla White referred to, but inasmuch as they are the only inmates of the State Penitentiary at Walla Walla with nicknames similar to that of Walla Walla White, the same are being transmitted to you for possible identification.

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Very truly yours,

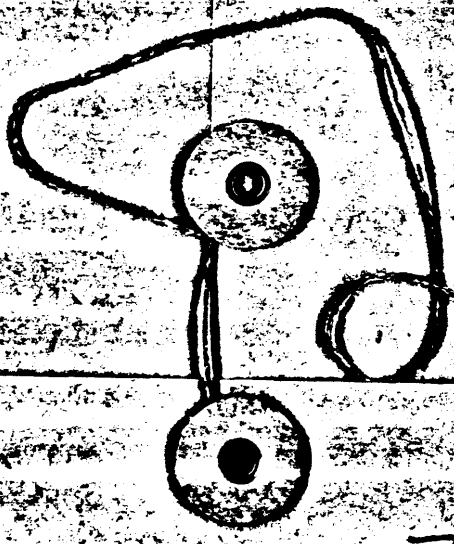
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G. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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April 4, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,
I am transmitting herewith ten copies of the abstract
of criminal record and photograph as appearing in the
files of the Identification Division of Charles Newton,
our file #20750.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

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Washington, D. C.

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April 4, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM *EW*

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,
I am transmitting herewith ten copies of the abstract
of criminal record and photograph as appearing in the
files of the Identification Division of Charles Newton,
our file #20750.

Respectfully,

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April 8, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; et
al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim. KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Portland Office,
addressed to you under date of March 19, 1935, wherein you were
advised that a search of the records of the Washington State
Penitentiary at Walla Walla, Washington, failed to reflect a
record of an individual known as Walla Walla White who is reported
to be an associate of Harry Sawyer.

There are transmitted herewith, and to each of the
offices indicated below, copies of an abstract of criminal record
and photographs of one Frank White with aliases, our number 20750,
who may possibly be identical with the individual referred to in
the letter of the Portland Office.

It is noted from the record of this individual that he
has served a sentence at the Washington State Penitentiary, Walla
Walla, Washington and also has an arrest record in Wisconsin and
other middle western states.

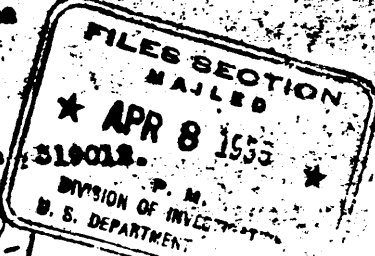
Very truly yours,

cc - St. Paul (with inclosures
Portland as indicated)

Omaha

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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| REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-20-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3-14 to 17-35 | REPORT MADE BY: O. C. DEWEY dr |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1233; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 - et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>DEPT. OF JUSTICE DIVISION ONE MAR 23 1935 AM</p> </div> <div style="width: 65%;"> <p>Contact made with police officers and other informants at Des Moines, Ia., but no information obtained that Myrtle Eaton is in that city. Raid made by U. S. Marshal Hurd on the home of Ward Vincent at Des Moines upon receiving tip that Myrtle Eaton was at his home, but she was not found. Picture of Cliff Winters, believed to be "Tip" - friend of Corey Bales - obtained from Des Moines Police Department. Contact had with Go About Riley and Winnie Eaton who agreed with Agent that Myrtle Eaton should surrender. Winnie Eaton advised that she would do everything possible to have Myrtle surrender if she is able to locate and contact her.</p> </div> </div> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, 3-15-35.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: Agent contacted night detective, Lorn Miller, of the Des Moines Police Department who advised that since Agent's absence from Des Moines he had been in contact with numerous persons but was unable to learn from any of them that Myrtle Eaton had been in town since the first of the year; that since the publication of Myrtle Eaton's picture on the front page of the Des Moines Register, setting forth that she had been indicted at St. Paul with several others on a charge of kidnaping, every effort has been made to ascertain her whereabouts without success.</p> <p>As of interest in this matter, on March 10, 1935 Dewey Burlovich, operator of the Sportsman Club at Des Moines and who resides at 1517</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> | | | |
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Forest Avenue with his wife Bina, shot and killed Donald Merrigan, age 22, following an argument. County Attorney Carl Burkman advised Agent that Burlovich had been living with and keeping a girl named Lillian Shure who is a sister of Mrs. Merrigan; that Donald Merrigan and his wife, accompanied by their small son, went to Burlovich in an effort to discover their whereabouts; that a heated argument followed, and Merrigan and his wife then left the Sportsman Club. His wife stepped out on the sidewalk, and just as Merrigan was going through the door, Burlovich picked up a pistol and shot and killed him. The case is to be tried at Des Moines on March 25th, and County Attorney Burkman feels that he has a very strong case against Burlovich.

Agent, while in Des Moines, learned that for the last several months Bud Joyce has been employed as a bartender in Burlovich's Sportsman Club, but two weeks ago opened up a beer tavern at 217 9th Street with Ray Laughlin and are alleged to be backed by Ward Vincent, local distributor for Country Club Beer. Detective Lorn Miller and his partner, Bill Shaffer, advised Agent that when Joyce opened up on February 12, 1935, they kept a watch over his place but did not observe Myrtle Eaton or Bill Weaver visiting the tavern; however, they did notice a number of hoodlums and their girl friends from Fort Dodge, Iowa; that this outfit stayed in Des Moines from February 12th to February 17th. Among the persons observed by Miller and Shaffer was H. B. Lewis of 317 So. 5th Street, Fort Dodge, Iowa, who is an ex-convict. He was driving a 1935 Chevrolet sedan with 1935 Iowa license #94-2390; they also observed Pauline Beckenbaugh of 215 So. 6th Street, Fort Dodge, Iowa, who operates a house of prostitution in that city. She was driving a 1935 Chevrolet coupe with 1935 Iowa license #94-3241. Also in this crowd was a 1934 Oldsmobile sedan bearing 1935 Iowa license #94-6155. While this crowd of about seven persons were in Des Moines, all of them lived at 1440 8th Street, which is the home of Frank Dietz, a bartender at the Sportsman Club. The telephone number at Dietz's home is 3-4591.

U. S. Marshal Fred Hurd at Des Moines, Iowa advised Agent that on January 26, 1935, an unknown party called him on the telephone and advised him that Myrtle Eaton was then at the home of Ward Vincent, 2627 10th Avenue or possibly at the home of Go About Riley; that Myrtle was a close friend of Edith Vincent. U. S. Marshal Hurd secured several officers at the Des Moines Police Department and went to the home of Ward Vincent and a search was made of the home, but Myrtle Eaton was not there. Vincent advised Mr. Hurd that he had arrived in Des Moines about 2:30 that morning; that he had not seen Myrtle Eaton for sometime. He had with him a new 1934 Ford coupe and showed Mr. Hurd his bill of sale showing that he had purchased this car on January 24, 1934 at Shalopee, Minnesota. No investigation was made at the home of Go About Riley as the officers noted no activities there same was kept under surveillance in the belief that Myrtle might go there if she was in town.

For sometime, Agent has been endeavoring to ascertain the identity of both "Tip" and Gladys who are friends of Corey Bales, Aurora, Illinois, and likewise formerly from Des Moines. The party referred to as "Tip" is said to be a gambler and likewise to have originally come from Des Moines. Chief of Detectives, Al Peterson, at Des Moines, has been endeavoring for sometime to find out the identity of this "Tip" and just recently learned that this party was possibly identical with one Cliff Winters, who is known to the Des Moines Police Department and whose photograph was secured. Winters was photographed under Des Moines PD #3923, age 29 (in 1923), height 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches, weight 139 pounds, hair dark brown, eyes blue; fingerprint classification - 7 R O 16. He was arrested in Des Moines, Iowa in 1923 for operating a disorderly house. Chief Peterson stated that this man had not been in town for nearly ten years and was therefore practically forgotten by the old members of the police department. He stated that it was his best recollection that Cliff Winters was known as "Tip". The photograph of Cliff Winters is being forwarded to the Chicago office with the request that they endeavor to identify same at Aurora, Illinois as being the party known as "Tip".

In reference to the report of W. P. Ellwood of the Omaha Office, dated 2-26-35, further investigation was made by this Agent. This Agent for sometime past has been acquainted with Al Kitty who operates the Belvidere Club at Des Moines. Rich Kennelley who resides at 600 4th Street, Valley Junction, a suburb of Des Moines, operates the gambling casino in connection with this club. This is the only high-class gambling place now operating in Des Moines. Several years ago, Al Kitty was kidnaped by Jack Klutas, and the go between was Go About Riley who was always thought to have had some connection with this kidnaping. Sometime later, an attempt was made to kidnap Rich Kennelley, but he fought off his abductors, and they were later caught and sentenced to the penitentiary. Both of these men operate a very orderly place, and it is not believed by this Agent, from as much as he could learn that Rich Kennelley would in any way harbor Alvin Karpis. Kennelley was therefore interviewed and questioned regarding Myrtle Eaton, and he advised that he had not seen her in several years; that he doubted that she would visit his club due to the fact that he has not been on very friendly terms with Go About Riley, Dewey Burlovich and some of the other gamblers in Des Moines. He emphatically stated that he has no use for kidnapers inasmuch as an effort had once been made to kidnap him, and the fact that his present partner was kidnaped; that he realizes when a bunch of hoodlums come to a town they bring their own kind with them and within a short time the town is closed up, and that does not help their business. Kennelley was questioned for general information, and when asked whom he thought would most likely hide out Myrtle Eaton in Des Moines, he immediately named Ward Vincent, the local distributor for Country Club Beer in the Iowa territory. He stated that he has known it for a fact that Go About Riley, Dewey Burlovich, as well as several of the St. Paul hoodlums have frequently visited Vincent's home, and he in turn has driven to St. Paul with them and stayed at

their homes. He further advised Agent that Go About Riley now operates the Viaduct Cigar Store at 220 7th Street with one Mose Cohen; that Cohen lived somewhere on Kingman Avenue. Questioned as to other persons who were intimately acquainted with Myrtle Eaton, he named Hazel Lynch and Bud Lynch as well as Daisy Reynolds, who was the former wife of Go About Riley. He likewise named Clarence Volinski who operates a pawnshop on Walnut Street near Second Street. Volinski is a close personal friend of Doc Eaton and Bud Joyce. Questioned as to anybody whom Myrtle might contact in Kansas City, he stated that a former taxicab driver of Des Moines by the name of Sam Sigman, would undoubtedly know about Myrtle, should she be in Kansas City. He had heard one report that Sigman was now operating a hotel in Kansas City, Missouri.

Questioned as to parties whom Myrtle might contact in Omaha, he named Eddie Barrick, Rick Lindsay and Earl Marshall who operate the New Modern Night Club. Questioned as to persons whom she might contact in Fort Dodge, he gave the name of "Big" Grace and Maude Wells at 217 9th Street, the latter being a close friend of Bud Joyce.

Kennelley was shown the pictures of the Barker-Karpis Gang, but he was unable to identify any of them. He was particularly questioned about Alvin Karpis, but denied knowing the party and most certainly is not concealing him in Des Moines. Questioned as to whether there was anybody else in Des Moines known as "Rich", he finally advised that there was an Italian on the south side of Des Moines by the name of Richey Marasco who also goes by the name of Mareno; that he has heard that when this party goes out with carnivals he at different times used the name of "Rich Kennelley". It might be stated here that Kennelley's wife is Grace Rankin, and she is employed in the postoffice department. She comes from a very good family and it was the opinion of Al Adams, Assistant County Attorney, that she would certainly not allow her husband to keep any hoodlums around the house. She comes from a very good family and Kennelley and his wife are well liked in Valley Junction. Kennelley heads the American Legion Band in that town and likewise has other interests in the welfare of this little town.

A contact was had with Go About Riley at his cigar store and beer joint at 220 7th Street, at which time Agent sat and had quite a talk with him. Riley was intoxicated at the time and was somewhat in a talkative mood. He emphatically stated that he would not advise Agent of the whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton if he knew same, but that he was of the opinion that it was about time for her to surrender, and that if he ever got to see her he would do all he could to have her surrender. Riley made several contradictory statements regarding having seen Myrtle Eaton and Bill Weaver, and advised Agent to be very careful of Bill Weaver as he was a killer, and that he had reasons to believe that Myrtle was afraid of him. Riley was of the opinion that if Myrtle surrendered she would not receive much more than a year and a day in the penitentiary, but regardless of what she received she would be much better off if she surrendered.

because he knew that when the Government agents endeavored to apprehend Weaver that there would be shooting, and Myrtle would undoubtedly be mixed up in the whole matter. He advised Agent that he would endeavor to locate her, adding that he had no idea as to her present whereabouts; that if he was able to get word to her he would endeavor to have her surrender. It was later reported to Agent that Go About Riley, following his conversation with this agent, consulted a very prominent attorney.

Agent likewise contacted Winnie Eaton and her husband, Chuck Conlin and talked with them as to the possibility of Myrtle Eaton surrendering. They likewise were of the same opinion as Go About Riley, and Winnie Eaton stated that if she ever was given the opportunity to talk to Myrtle, she felt sure that she could have her surrender. She gave Agent the impression that none of these people in Des Moines nor the Des Moines crowd cared very much for Bill Weaver; that he was bad medicine and if Myrtle continued to play around with him she would find herself in worse trouble than what she is now. Winnie Eaton asked for this Agent's telephone number, the name of the agent in charge and the Omaha Bureau Office telephone number was given to her inasmuch as agent does not expect to be in Des Moines for several weeks to come. It is this Agent's belief that Myrtle is not now in Des Moines but is possibly nearby and if Winnie Eaton and Go About Riley can contact her when Bill Weaver is not around it is believed that they can persuade her to surrender to the Government.

Special Agent J. R. Green of the Omaha office, while at Lincoln, Nebraska recently, checked all of the marriage licenses covering the marriages in the State of Nebraska for the last fifteen years but was unable to find any record of subject Harry Sawyer and his wife Gladys under any of their known aliases. A check was likewise made by this agent for a ten-year period from 1917 to 1927 of the marriage licenses at Council Bluffs, Iowa, which is right across the Missouri River from Omaha, Nebraska, but no record was found of a marriage certificate being given to subject Sawyer or his wife Gladys, under any of their known aliases.

While Agent was recently in Des Moines, Iowa, contact was had with Mr. Frank Brady, Special Agent of the State Bureau of Identification. Mr. Brady was formerly Chief of Police at Davenport, Iowa and advised Agent that the vicinity of Myrtle and 2nd Streets was a very likely spot for a gang hideout. He suggested that Agent contact Mr. Clark Lamont, a former police officer of Davenport but now with the State Liquor Enforcement Agency at Des Moines. Mr. Brady stated that he found it necessary to fire Lamont from the Davenport Police Department for being mixed up with some bootleggers, but outside of that he believed that he could possibly help agent in this matter as he had a wealth of information regarding hoodlums around Davenport.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE is requested to identify the photograph of Cliff Winters as being the party known as "Tip" who is an associate of Corey Bales at Aurora, Illinois.

THE OMAHA BUREAU OFFICE, in connection with lead No. 11 appearing in the report of reference, will interview Mr. Clark Lamont, State Liquor Enforcement agent at Des Moines, Iowa and endeavor to obtain such information as he might have regarding a possible hideout in Davenport, Iowa for members of this gang.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to my telephone conversations of March 21 and 22, 1935, with Mr. Connelley in Chicago, and with Mr. Newby of the Bureau, relative to the twenty-four hour surveillance which has been maintained for the past week on ALICE CONRAD, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Carlos Maratti, at 54 West 36th Street, New York City.

In compliance with authorization received from Mr. Newby, the twenty-four hour surveillance is being withdrawn. However, the mail and telegram covers will be maintained, and close contact will be continued with the janitor and superintendent at 54 West 36th Street, for any information which might indicate that Alice Conrad is in communication with Gladys or Harry Sawyer.

Special Agent R. C. Suran who accompanied Mrs. Conrad to New York City, via bus, has today returned to his headquarters in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

F. X. PAY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

March 21, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.1236; VOLNEY
DAVIS, with aliases, I.O.1237; FUGITIVE; DR.
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with aliases, I.O.1239; MYRTLE EATON, with
aliases, I.O.1241; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES.

It is requested that the complete criminal records of the follow-
ing three individuals be furnished this office:

Frank Gallichio - C827 and C44630;
Joe Gallichio - C14806 and C28015;
Sam Mano - C51065.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 828,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O. #1237, Fugitive; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J.
HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE
HAYON, with aliases, I.O. #1241, et al.;
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
Kidnaping;
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Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication dated March 21,
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of the identification files of this Bureau in the cases of
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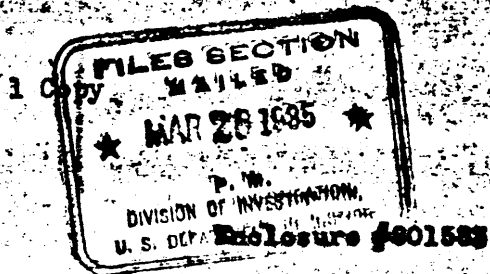
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Chicago, Illinois, #C-44630.

JOE GALLICHO, Police Department,
Chicago, Illinois, #C-28018.

SAM MANO, Police Department,
Chicago, Illinois, #C-51065.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.





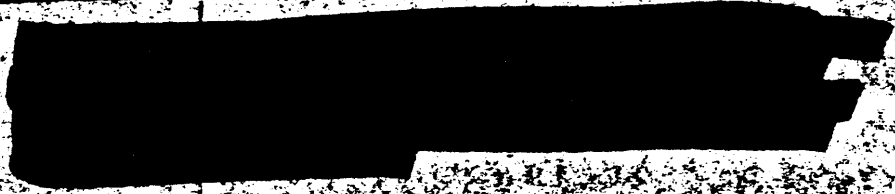
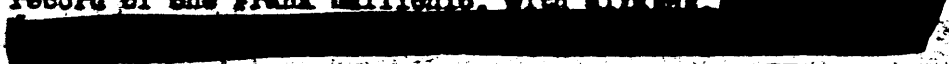
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
March 25, 1935

The following is an abstract of the fingerprint
record of one Frank Gallichio, with aliases.



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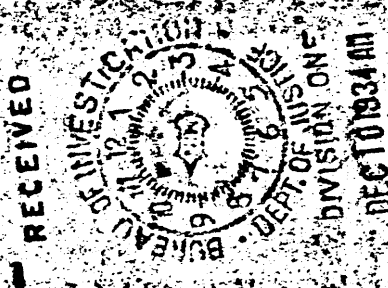
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An examination of the original assignment card in this Office reflects that the last report posted on this card is that dated Chicago, 9/28/34. However, from a review of the file it is noted that there was a report submitted by Agent J. L. Madala, dated October 30, 1934, and a report submitted by Agent R. D. Brown, dated November 12, 1934, neither of which were posted to the original assignment card.



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Egan and Ladd, Chicago
November 21, 1934

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March 21, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

As a result of the recent inspection of your office,
the Bureau was advised that the original assignment card
did not reflect the reports of Special Agent J. L. Madala,
dated October 30, 1934, and of Special Agent E. D. Brown,
dated November 12, 1934.

You are requested to advise the Bureau whether
the original assignment card has been corrected in this respect.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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| REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-19-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3-13, 14, 15-35 | REPORT MADE BY: T. M. Clifford |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping |
| <p>C. C. Beery, District Manager, N.R.S., Mason City, Washington, searched files for registration subject Volney Davis without result. J. O. Murray, Personnel Manager, Mason, Walsh, Atkinson & Kerr Construction Company, found no record subject Davis on payrolls. John Bergman, Washington State Patrol does not recall seeing Davis. Claude Gillespie, Interviewer, Department of Labor at Coulee Dam, Washington, recalls applicant by the name of Harper ineligible for employment on dam project making application on or about March 5, 1935. Photograph of subject Davis familiar with this application. Investigation at Bonneville Dam fails to indicate subject in that vicinity. Frances E. Bennett, Klamath Falls, Oregon, member of Get Acquainted Correspondence Club, disclaims any contact with subject Davis.</p> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent T. M. Clifford, Portland, Oregon, March 9, 1935.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: At Coulee Dam - Mason City, Washington.</p> <p>This agent interviewed Captain C. C. Beery, District Manager, National Reemployment Service of the U. S. Department of Labor at Mason City, Washington. Photographs of members of the Karpis Gang, including subject Davis, were exhibited to Captain Beery, who failed to recognize any of these subjects having been seen on the government project by him. A search of the employment files from January 1,</p> | | | |
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1935 up to and including March 14, 1935, failed to reveal the name of subject Davis or any of his aliases registered as an employee on the government dam project at Grand Coulee. Captain Beery explained to agent that one of the requirements of all employees is that they must be a resident of Washington and, preferably, a resident of the three counties in which the government project is located, or immediately adjacent thereto.

In this connection, Captain Beery, informed agent that at times employees may possibly register as a resident of the state of Washington or one of the three counties supplying labor for this project, by falsifying their residence addresses. Captain Beery further stated that it would be possible to secure employment other than as a common laborer, if the employee had a special avocation or was particularly qualified in administrative work. He stated that in the event an employee was placed on the payroll under these circumstances, no registration would be required at the National Reemployment Service office, but that a record would be had of this employee or type of employees at the office of J. O. Murray, Personnel Manager of the Mason, Walsh, Atkinson & Kerr Construction Company, in charge of the general construction work on this government project. Captain Beery further states that numerous applicants for employment appear at the offices of the National Reemployment Service, and that in each instance Mr. Claude Gillespie, who holds the title of Interviewer, contacts these applicants, receives their applications and passes upon their eligibility for employment.

Agent contacted Mr. J. O. Murray, Personnel Manager of the Mason, Walsh, Atkinson & Kerr Construction Company, who, upon checking his employment files, failed to locate therein the name of Volney Davis, or any of his known aliases, including the alias G. L. Harper.

Agent interviewed Mr. Claude Gillespie. Agent stated to Mr. Gillespie that he was seeking information regarding the whereabouts of subject Volney Davis. At this time agent named the aliases under which subject Davis has been known in the past, including the alias G. L. Harper. Upon hearing the name of Harper, Mr. Gillespie informed agent that he recalled definitely an applicant, whose physical description he could not exactly recall, making application for employment as a laborer on or about March 5, 1935. Mr. Gillespie informed agent that he was unable to state the particular circumstances surrounding this application and was unable to recall any statements made by Harper as to place of residence or type of work preferred, but he did recall that applicant Harper was ineligible for some reason for employment on the Coulee Dam project.

Agent then displayed before Mr. Gillespie the pictures of Karpis, Campbell, Sawyer, Weaver, and Davis. Without much hesitation Mr. Gillespie selected from these pictures the photograph of subject Davis and stated to agent that this picture was very familiar to him in connection with the application of Harper. Mr. Gillespie stated that he would make every effort to recall some circumstance regarding this application that might throw additional light on Harper's application for employment. He further stated that there is a possibility that Harper might return again and submit an application for employment under some other name, which practice, he said, although irregular had been followed by applicants in some instances in the past. A photograph of subject Davis was left with Mr. Gillespie for his attention and cooperation, with a request that he advise this office immediately in the event any one resembling subject Davis should apply again for employment.

Agent ascertained from Mr. Gillespie that he was formerly a guard at the Washington State Reformatory, Monroe, Washington, and left the impression that he was possibly overenthusiastic in making the identification of subject Davis as Harper, and for this reason agent does not place too much credence in the identification made by Mr. Gillespie.

The writer contacted John Bergman, officer on duty with the Washington State Patrol at Mason City, Washington. Photographs of subject Davis and other members of the Karpis gang were submitted to Mr. Bergman with the request that he examine them and advise agent whether he could identify any of subjects as presently being seen on the government project at Coulee. After examination of the photographs, Mr. Bergman could not recall having seen any of subjects on or about the Coulee Dam property. Mr. Bergman promised agent that in the event subject Davis or any other members of this gang should make their appearance at the Coulee Dam, he would promptly notify the Portland Bureau office.

Special Agent in Charge C. C. Spears and Agent H. A. King conducted investigation at Bonneville Dam, located about forty miles up the Columbia River from Portland, Oregon. John Torkelson, Captain of the Guard, advised that he had seen no one answering the description of subject Davis in that vicinity. Captain Torkelson advised that he would maintain a close watch for any one resembling Volney Davis and would immediately notify the Portland Bureau office.

Mr. Torkelson is in charge of the guards at Bonneville and introduced agents to Mr. Frank Hayes, in charge of the National Re-employment Service at Bonneville. Mr. Hayes stated that he believes

It will be almost impossible for Davis to obtain employment on the Bonneville Dam for the following reasons: Any man seeking employment is required to register with the local National Reemployment Service and make affidavit to the effect that he has been a resident of the community for the past six months. The affidavit of the person seeking employment must be supported by affidavit from two taxpayers who know him and also by the mail carrier who delivers mail to the person. The mail carrier, as well as the two tax payers, must allege that he is acquainted with the prospect and knows personally that he has resided in that community for at least six months past. This provision does not apply to certain foremen and clerical employees.

Identification orders were left with both Mr. Hayes and Captain Torkelson.

It should also be stated that few, if any, employees appear in person at the National Reemployment Service at Bonneville.

Investigation was also conducted at the Community Center in Bonneville and Captain Torkelson left copies of the Identification Order with the proprietor, who advised that he occasionally employs card dealers, but that he had no one at the present time resembling subject Davis.

The Portland Bureau office is also furnishing photographs and copies of the Identification Order to the State Police Highway Patrol covering Bonneville Dam.

At Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Indian Officer John Arkell, connected with the Klamath Indian Agency near Klamath Falls, Oregon, was requested to contact Miss Frances E. Bennett, Box 558, a member of the Get Acquainted Correspondence Club, for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not this individual had communicated with subject Davis under the alias G. L. Harper. Mr. Arkell contacted Miss Frances E. Bennett, who informed him that she had had no communication from subject Davis under the alias G. L. Harper, but that she would notify the Portland Bureau office in the event subject Davis made any attempt to communicate with her.

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Campbell had recently been in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and that Harry Campbell and LaFleur and another ex-convict from McNeil Island Penitentiary, by the name of George S. Venger were undoubtedly planning to meet at a secret hideout located near the "Four Corners". This informant described the "Four Corners" as being that section of the country where the states of Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico border; that Venger being a native of this country knew all the hideouts and would undoubtedly arrange for a place of concealment in the rugged mountainous area of the country which it would be practically impossible to locate.

McCalip displayed to Special Agent Louis D. Wine a letter mailed at Dove Creek, Colorado, dated March 8, 1935, signed by George S. Venger, who said he was hiding with a pack outfit on the Colorado River. Special Agent Wine is acquainted with George S. Venger having interviewed him several years ago prior to his incarceration at McNeil Island in connection with a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act at Moab, Utah. This original letter is without question in the handwriting of Venger.

McCalip related that LaFleur told him he was going to Grand Junction, Colorado, where it is said he intended to contact several ex-convicts and fugitives.

McCalip related that Venger owes him \$1,200.00; that Venger is in close contact with Ralph Capone of Chicago and that he saw a letter which Venger had shown him, written by Ralph Capone wherein the latter sent Venger \$250.00; that Ralph Capone and Venger while in McNeil Island Penitentiary worked together in the guards kitchen.

According to McCalip, LaFleur was accompanied by Underhill, a brother of Wilbur Underhill, at the time they escaped from the Utah State Prison several years ago and LaFleur is well acquainted with Oklahoma underworld characters and that LaFleur told him Harry Campbell had recently been to a Doctor who poses as an Osteopath at Colorado Springs, Colo., who removed some scars for Campbell; that Campbell, LaFleur, Venger, and a number of others were, no doubt, going to some secret hideout in the mountainous area of Western Colorado and would probably be planning some big crime.

McCalip relates that he cannot recall the name of this Doctor in Colorado Springs but he lives in a large house on the right side of the road going from Colorado Springs to Manitou, Colorado, about one-third of the way to Manitou; that he is known as an Osteopath and has a sign in his window "Rooms for Rent" but a stranger making inquiry there is told by the Doctor that all his rooms are rented;

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March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

Please refer to previous correspondence concerning the Buick Sedan abandoned at Atlantic City, N.J. by Alvin Karpis.

Kindly be informed that on this date I received from U.S. Attorney Charles D. McAvoy, Philadelphia, Pa., a copy of his petition directed to the Honorable George A. Welsh, Judge of the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, praying that Buick Sedan, Motor #4949155, Serial #2783525, which was abandoned by Alvin Karpis at Atlantic City, N.J., be turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the use of said Bureau, together with copy of the order of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, signed by Judge Welsh, directing that this automobile remain in the possession of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its use.

This car has been maintained in the possession of the Philadelphia office and stored with the Bureau owned automobiles in Fogel's Garage and unless instructions are received to the contrary will be utilized by this office.

Very truly yours,

R.G. Horvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218 - FUG.; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237, FUG.; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. #1238; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. #1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. #1239; MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. #1241; OLIVER A. BERG with aliases - FUG.; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Volney Davis possibly contacting Miss Esther Williams, 119 North Topping Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Close watch being kept over that address by Bureau Agents. Occupants cooperating. Letters addressed to Subject from members of "Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club" in possession of this office. Letter from Davis, under alias G. L. Harper, received by manager, Beaumont Apartments, 3028 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, postmarked St. George, Utah, 2-29-35. Appropriate surveillance being maintained that address against possible return of Subject. Subject Davis possible participant robbery First National Bank, Neosho, Missouri, 3-2-35. Investigation set out. Russell "Spike" Lane, probable associate of Davis apprehended Kansas City, Mo. 2-22-35 by Bureau Agents. Complaint charging violation Sec. 246, Title 18, U.S.C. - Harboring - authorized and filed. Plea of Not Guilty entered on arraignment; bond \$10,000. Hearing continued to 3-22-35. Lane presently held Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri. Attempts being made to locate companions, one of whom might be Lloyd Doyle, I.O. 1208, subject in case entitled "Walter Holland, with aliases, I.O. #1200, et al - August Luer - Victim - Kidnaping (Extortion Through use of Mails)". Similar complaint against John Doe, alias Richard Roe alias "Leo", authorized and filed 2-20-35. Complaints charging Harboring Jess Doyle, filed against Doris O'Connor 3-7-35, entered plea of Not Guilty, bond \$7500. Presently incarcerated Jackson County Jail.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</small></p> | | | |
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Jail. Hearing set for 3-22-35. Former husband of Doris O'Connor, Earl Stuchlik, questioned 2-27-35 and presently held Wyandotte County Jail, Kansas City, Kansas. Exploded cartridge found his possession forwarded herewith to Bureau. Wanted notices on Fred Barker withdrawn Police Departments this district. Reports possible presence other Subjects this district apparently erroneous.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 2-21-35.

DETAILS:

The attention of all offices receiving copies of this report is directed to the letter from the Chicago Office dated February 14, 1935, addressed to all Bureau Offices, advising them of the application made by Volney Davis, under the alias George Lawrence Harper, to "The Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club, Box 1251, Denver, Colorado". With this letter was also enclosed a photostatic copy of a letter written by the Subject under date of January 14, 1934, which apparently should be January 14, 1935, together with a photostatic copy of the list of ladies names forwarded to Volney Davis by the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club. In this letter it will also be noted that Davis has communicated with one Mrs. Esther A. Williams, 119 North Topping, Kansas City, Missouri, whose name appears on the above mentioned list dated November 1, 1934.

In this connection, a thorough investigation has been conducted by this office for the purpose of ascertaining the present whereabouts of Volney Davis, with the thought in mind that he might still be corresponding with or contacting, in other ways, this individual or other members whose names are on the list of the correspondence club as being residents of Kansas City, Missouri, and other cities in this district.

Interview was had by Special Agent R. J. Brandt on March 12, 1935, with Mrs. Esther Williams, 119 North Topping Street, Kansas City, Missouri, who informed that subsequent to her writing to Davis under date of January 31, 1935, at Kansas City, Missouri, he had called by telephone on two occasions, these calls being made approximately February 4th and 5th. During one of the conversations he made a date with the Williams girl, which was not filled. It was also determined that on one occasion he came to the Williams' home, at which time Mrs. Williams talked briefly to him on the porch of her home. She is rather uncertain as to the date of this occurrence, first fixing the date as being in the latter part of February but then stating it must have been quite some time prior to that. She could not definitely identify Davis' photograph, but did note a resemblance and picked the photograph from a group of pictures as being the one having this resemblance. These persons appear

entirely cooperative and were instructed by Agent Brandt in the event of a further call from Davis to have the girl make an appointment with him and immediately notify this office. This they promised to do. It might be noted that the father of Mrs. Williams is a railroad engineer employed by the Kansas City Southern Railroad in Kansas City, Missouri and the family is, from all indications, respectable. The Williams girl has been married and divorced, is 33 years of age, and has two children, ages 14 and 11. She is employed in Kansas City, Kansas at the present time with the Proctor-Gamble Company.

On the same evening she was interviewed she telephoned the Kansas City Office and advised she had received a call from a man whom she believed to be Harper, the known alias of Davis. She stated, however, that due to her nervousness she failed to carry out the instructions she had been given by Agent Brandt and had not made a date. During the conversation had with the caller, the latter advised her he would communicate again with her within the next day or two. She is positive she recognized the voice as that of Davis, whom she knew as Harper. She further states he recalled certain bits of their previous conversations which strengthened her belief in this regard. On the occasion of this last call he suggested that she join a party at an apartment, stating that another man and a girl were there. At this time the caller gave the name of Anderson. It should be noted that it is possible that the name given was Hanson and she understood it as Anderson. These facts were related to the writer and Special Agent Brandt on March 13, 1935, when Mrs. Williams and her mother and father were again interviewed. On this occasion they were painstakingly instructed that in the event another call was received asking the Williams girl to go out they were to immediately notify Agents who would be living in the vicinity so that appropriate measures might be taken to first ascertain the identity of the caller, and in the event the same proved to be Subject Davis that he might be taken into custody. They were advised of the character of the Subject wanted by this Bureau and were told that there was no need on their part to feel apprehensive about their own safety inasmuch as their cooperation in the manner indicated would prevent any harm from coming to them. On this occasion all members of the Williams family seemed very desirous of cooperating, the girl agreeing that should she receive another call she would go out with the caller, immediately advising us. It was also agreed that if such call was received Agents might await the arrival of the caller in the Williams' home.

Inasmuch as this home is approximately four miles from the Kansas City Office it would necessitate driving through a district having considerable traffic, arrangements have been made, with the authorization of Mr. Tamm, of the Bureau, to rent an apartment at 5701 St. John Avenue, the apartment being Number 8. This is situated slightly more than one block from the Williams residence. A telephone has been installed in this apartment, under date of March 13, 1935, and five Agents were stationed there during the night of that day, they being Special Agents O'Mahoney, Vandover, Bryce, Brandt and the writer. No calls were received by the Williams girl. Since that time Agents have been continuously stationed at this apartment during every evening

with the exception of March 16th and 17th, on which days and evenings the surveillance was maintained for 24 hours inasmuch as the Williams girl does not work at all on Saturday and Sunday, and therefore is in a position to receive calls at her home. On other days of the week the Agents above referred to are not kept there during the day, inasmuch as the girl works and does not return to her home until 6 P.M., of which fact Davis was so advised by her in the letter she wrote him.

It should be noted further that on the evening of March 17, 1935, at approximately 6:20 P.M. a call was received at Apartment 8, 5701 St. John Avenue, from the Williams girl advising that a man unknown to her and giving the name of Lord had just called her asking her for a date. In compliance with the instructions previously given her by the writer she stated, after first remarking to the caller she did not recall his name, that it would be permissible for him to call at her home at approximately 7:30. She was immediately advised by the writer that two men would proceed to her house and await the arrival of the man who had called on the telephone, at the same time appropriate surveillance would also be maintained outside of the house in the event an automobile containing more than one man approached her residence.

The writer, accompanied by Special Agent O'Mahoney, immediately proceeded to Mrs. Williams' house, where they were further advised by her that the caller had stated that he had previously worked at Proctor and Gamble with Mrs. Williams, but that the same had taken place about two years before. Mrs. Williams further stated that he had made this explanation, stating he was not surprised she did not recall his name. It was agreed that in the event she did not recognize the caller upon his arrival, and in the event Agents likewise were not able to make any identification of Subject Davis, or any of his associates, she would agree to go out with him, it being understood that all movements of her and her escort that night would be very closely followed by the Agents maintaining the surveillance. She was further instructed that in the event the caller proved to be the Subject wanted by this Bureau he would be immediately recognized by the writer, inasmuch as the latter was among the Agents who effected Davis' apprehension at Kansas City, Missouri on February 6th and that he would be taken into custody. In addition, she stated in the event she did recognize the man as having been a prior employee of Proctor and Gamble she would accompany him and that subsequent surveillance by the Agents in that case would not be necessary.

At approximately 7:30 P.M., a man giving his name as Lord appeared at her home and was closely scrutinized by the Agents from a point where the latter could not be seen. It was immediately apparent to the writer that the same was not Davis nor could he be recognized as any of the known associates of Davis. After the usual greeting, Mrs. Williams left the room and contacted Special Agent O'Mahoney and the writer in the rear of the house, and stated she likewise could not recognize him, stating to the best of her knowledge she had never heard the name Lord before, nor had she ever seen him. Accordingly, she was instructed that as soon as they left the house to go to

a picture show, inasmuch as he had suggested the same and she had acquiesced, they would be followed at all times by the Agents to guard against any possible contact being made by the man giving his name as Lord with other associates of Davis.

Special Agent O'Mahoney and the writer then took their departure from the house by the rear entrance and entered a car which was parked on Topping Avenue a short ways north of the Williams house. Another Bureau Buick, containing Special Agents Bryce and Vandover, was stationed a short distance South of 119 North Topping, and Special Agent Brandt was stationed on the corner of Topping and St. John Avenue under the pretext of waiting for a street car. It had been noted by Special Agents Brandt, Bryce and Vandover that in approaching this house the caller had come on foot and was not followed by any automobile. After a short wait a Yellow Taxi drove up in front of 119 North Topping and Mrs. Williams, together with Lord, approached the cab and got it. The cab proceeded then to the Vista Theatre at 2613 Independence Avenue, to which point they were followed by the Agents above mentioned in two cars. At this point two people were seen to get out and enter the Motion Picture Theatre, and immediately thereafter they were followed by Special Agents Vandover, Bryce and the writer. This occurred at exactly 8:15 P.M. At approximately 10:10 P.M. the Agents departed from the Theatre, entered the Bureau car stationed directly across the street and noted the departure of Mrs. Williams and her male companion approximately ten minutes later. The two people shortly thereafter entered a Yellow Taxi and proceeded to her address at 119 North Topping, to which point she was followed by the three Agents mentioned above in a Bureau Buick, and also Special Agents Bryce and O'Mahoney in the personally owned automobile of Special Agent Vandover. At this point they were seen to engage in a conversation for a few minutes and then to walk up the street to a house at 144 North Lawndale, the residence of Mr. Elmer Williams, her brother. It was noted by further surveillance that apparently they then became occupied in a bridge game at that address, and, accordingly, no further surveillance was maintained on the evening of March 17th.

The watch on the above premises will be continued in the event further contact is attempted with Mrs. Williams by Subject Davis and it appears apparent at this time that ready cooperation can be had from the residence of 119 North Topping Avenue. Agents will be stationed in Apartment 8 at 5701 St. John Avenue until such action is deemed no longer necessary. This is being done inasmuch as on the occasion of the last call made by the person thought to be Davis he indicated that he would call again within a day or so.

Further results of this investigation will be duly reported. The person who had given his name as Lord stated he was employed at the present time at the Ford Plant, Kansas City, Missouri, although while in the hearing of Special Agent O'Mahoney and the writer he made no mention of his present address. Inquiries will be made by this office to check on this individual and to definitely ascertain that there is no connection between him and the

Subjects involved in the instant case. His description, obtained from personal observation, is as follows:

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| AGE | About 28 to 30 |
| HEIGHT | About 5'6" or 5'7" |
| WEIGHT | About 130 to 140 pounds |
| COMPLEXION | Medium |
| HAIR | Chestnut, thin, slightly bald in front. |
| BUILD | Slight. |

In connection with the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club mentioned above, and of which the aforementioned Mrs. Williams is a listed member, several communications have been received at Post Office Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, addressed to Davis under the known aliases of Mr. George Lawrence Harper, George L. Harper and G. L. Harper. Five of these letters are from members of the above club, their names and addresses being as follows, together with the postmark of the letters:

Letter dated February 15, 1935, Denver, Colorado, postmarked the same day at 8:30 P.M., from Irma Humphrey, 724 24th Street, Denver, Colorado. With this letter was transmitted a picture of a girl, in all probability that of Irma Humphrey.

Letter dated February 19, 1935, Portland, Oregon, postmarked 4 P.M. on the same day, from Mrs. Jerry Woolensock, 2109 North West Northrup, Portland, Oregon.

Letter dated February 22, 1935, Minneapolis, Minnesota, postmarked 10 P.M., February 23, 1935, Minneapolis, Minnesota, from Miss Lucille Julkowski, 601 Adams Street, N.E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Letter dated March 7, 1935, St. Louis, Missouri, postmarked St. Louis, 8 P.M. same day, from Pearl Garber, 3232 Portis Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Letter dated March 13, 1935, Kansas City, Missouri, postmarked 10:30 P.M. same day, Kansas City, from Florence Long, 916 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

In all the above letters, from a close examination of the contents, it is at once apparent that none of these individuals had at the time of writing, any previous contact with the person known to them as G. L. Harper. However, it is deemed expedient at this time that appropriate investigation by the respective field offices be made at this time in this regard so that any information along these lines might be immediately transmitted to respective Bureau Offices. These letters are being placed in the file of the Kansas City Office

pending the request of the respective Field Offices for their transmittal in the event any of them might be of assistance in conducting an investigation at the home of any of the above members of the Correspondence Club.

With further reference to the Membership list of the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club, mentioned earlier in this report, a thorough investigation of all members listed as residence of Kansas City, Missouri, has been conducted by Special Agent R. J. Brandt, of the Kansas City Office, and personal contact had with the individuals named, with the exception of Florence Long, 916 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and Mrs. Margie Henderson, Apartment 22, 701 Woodland, Kansas City, Missouri. It will be noted that the latter name appears on the second page of the photostatic copy transmitted to all offices of the members of the Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club. Several attempts have been made to interview Mrs. Henderson, but up to the present time this has been impossible due to her absence from home. The same will be done as quickly as possible, as well as a prompt contact with the above mentioned Florence Long.

In addition to the letters addressed to Harper from the above mentioned women, investigation at the Post Office at Raytown also revealed the receipt of letter dated February 6, 1935, 1423 Oak Street, Kansas City, Missouri, written by E. P. Moriarty, Deputy Commissioner of the Motor Vehicle Department, Secretary of State's Office, Jefferson City, Missouri, advising Harper as follows: "Your letter of the 4th to Jefferson City has been forwarded to us for attention as we have not yet sent the records to them so that the registration receipt could be mailed out. However, I am enclosing herewith a registration receipt covering your 1935 license plates number 43-218, and trust that this meets with your approval". With this letter was enclosed Missouri automobile registration certificate for 1934 Pontiac Sedan bearing 1935 Missouri license 43-218, and made out in the name of George L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Missouri. It will be noted this is the registration certificate for the Pontiac automobile in possession of Davis at the time of his apprehension at Kansas City, Missouri by Bureau Agents on February 6, 1935. For further information concerning this car reference should be had to the report by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City 2-21-35.

There was also one Government postcard addressed to G. L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, bearing the postmark 3 A.M. February 9, Detroit, Michigan, being a printed advertisement from Thos. L. West, c/o Washington Training Bureau, Inc., Washington Boulevard Building, Detroit, Michigan. The attention of the Detroit Office is directed to the latter. It is thought that appropriate investigation at the above address may be productive of some information regarding Subject Davis, or some of his associates.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, on page 94 thereof, wherein is set out information relative to Apartment 209, at 3028 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. As is indicated in that report this was the residence of Volney

Davis and Edna Murray immediately prior to their respective apprehensions in Kansas City, Missouri and Pittsburg, Kansas, on February 6th and February 7th, 1935. Further reference to the above report will indicate that a 24 hour surveillance of that apartment was begun at approximately 11 P.M. on 2-9-35 by Special Agents A. E. Farland, N. O. Scott and E. M. Heavrin, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, who were stationed there, appropriately armed, to guard against the possible appearance of Volney Davis to recover, if possible, much of the clothing and other effects which he and Edna Murray were forced to leave behind in their hurried departure. An itemized list of these effects has been prepared by Special Agent E. M. Heavrin and will be set out later in this report.

It will also be noted from reference report, on page 94, that Mrs. Schupan, Manager of this apartment, has indicated her willingness to cooperate to the fullest extent with Agents of this office in appropriately watching this address in the event any of Davis' associates seek to make contact there. On March 4, 1935, Mrs. Schupan telephonically advised the Kansas City Bureau Office that she had received a letter from G. L. Harper (the name under which Subject Davis occupied Apartment 209 at the Beaumont Apartments), postmarked St. George, Utah, February 29, 1935. This letter requested that she store his baggage until such time as he could call for it or send for it. The letter bore date of February 17, 1935, but contained nothing which would furnish any clue as to Davis' present whereabouts. Mrs. Schupan was immediately interviewed concerning this matter, and arrangements made whereby she will store the baggage in question in the basement of the apartment building, and will promptly notify the Kansas City Bureau Office if she receives any further information or anyone calls for this baggage. She was furnished with the telephone number of the office, as well as the residence telephone numbers of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and that of Special Agents Andersen and Miller, in order that any information might be reported by her at any hour of the day or night.

In order to allow ample time for Agents to reach the apartment building if anyone calls there for baggage, Mrs. Schupan will pretend that the key to the locker in which the baggage is stored was last used by her husband, and she will then telephone to him in order to ascertain where the key can be found. It has been arranged that Mr. Schupan will immediately advise the Kansas City Bureau Office that someone is at the apartment building inquiring concerning the baggage in question. His wife has also furnished the aforementioned telephone numbers to the colored janitor at the apartment building with instructions that he slip out of the building and notify this office if anyone appears there inquiring concerning this baggage.

These facts were transmitted to the St. Paul Bureau Office under letter from this office dated March 6, 1935 pursuant to an interview had with Mrs. Schupan upon receipt of a letter by her under date of February 22, 1935 from John C. DeCourcy, Attorney, Commercial Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, requesting that clothing and other articles left in the apartment previously

occupied at 3028 Baltimore by Edna Murray and Volney Davis be packed and shipped to Mrs. M. D. Stanley, Cardin, Oklahoma.

Under date of March 4, 1935, the Bureau was advised by Air Mail, Special Delivery by this office of the receipt by Mrs. Schupan of the above letter from G. L. Harper. The letter and envelope were transmitted in two cellophane envelopes to the Division so that Laboratory analysis of the same could be made. The Salt Lake City Office was advised by telephone on March 4, 1935, concerning this communication and suggestions for appropriate inquiries at St. George, Utah and Las Vegas, Nevada were made, it being noted Subject Davis has indicated an interest in places where construction work was being performed. Likewise in view of the statement in this communication that the writer was going to the Coast, it was suggested that offices in that section keep in touch with possible contacts of Davis. Under date of March 8, 1935, this office was advised by letter from the Bureau that the handwriting on the above mentioned letter was identical with that of Volney Davis, the report stating, in addition, that the physical condition of the stationery had been recorded for any comparison which might be desired in the future.

Regarding the investigation conducted pursuant to this information by the Salt Lake City Office, reference should be made to the report of J. T. McLaughlin, Salt Lake City, dated 3-8-35, where full details concerning the inquiries made at St. George, Utah and vicinity are set out.

In view of the apparent desire of Subject Davis to recover his belongings, either by personal contact or some other means, it was thought advisable that actual surveillance by Agents of this office might be warranted. Under date of March 11, 1935, the Bureau was advised of the belief that two Agents might be assigned to duty at the Beaumont Apartments, at Kansas City, for a period of not to exceed thirty days in order that appropriate steps might be taken if Volney Davis or anyone representing him calls to obtain possession of Davis' personal effects. This office is in receipt of a letter from the Bureau, under date of March 13, 1935, setting out that action in this regard was left to the judgment of the Kansas City Office. However, the attention of all offices is directed at this time to letter to the Bureau from the Kansas City Office dated March 15, 1935, indicating that since March 11, 1935, when the request was first made for approval of the Bureau to assign such Agents to such surveillance, there has been a report indicating the possibility that Davis might communicate with a girl in Kansas City, namely - Mrs. Esther Williams, 119 North Topping Street, referred to earlier in the body of this report. The additional fact that five Agents are being used each night in an apartment near the residence of this girl was conveyed at this time to the Bureau; accordingly, at the present time it is hardly practical to keep Agents at the Beaumont Apartments, such action being deferred for the time being to await possible developments on the angle involving the Williams girl. However, if no results are obtained from this surveillance within a short time further consideration will be given to personally covering the Beaumont Apartments at 3028 Baltimore Avenue. The 24 hour surveillance previously maintained at the above address, beginning 2-9-35 was terminated at approximately 4:30 P.M. 2-19-35. An itemized list of the property at that address has been prepared by Special Agent E.M. Heavrin and is contained in report of activities conducted by him and other Agents, as follows:

This investigation was conducted jointly by Special Agents A. E. Farland, H. O. Scott, H. A. Dietz, B. A. Bryce and E. M. Heavrin from 11:00 P.M., 2-9-35 until approximately 4:30 P.M., 2-19-35, at apartment 209, Beaumont Apartments, 3028 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri.

On the evening of 2-9-35 Special Agent in Charge Nathan instructed Agents Farland, Scott and Heavrin to institute and maintain a constant surveillance of apartment 209, Beaumont Apartments, 3028 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri, which apartment had previously been occupied for a period of three months by Volney Davis and Edna Murray under the name of Mr. and Mrs. G. Harper, which name appeared printed on the mail box in the corridor of the apartment house.

A rigid twenty-four hour surveillance was maintained in this apartment by the above named Agents until Monday afternoon, 2-18-35, at which time Agent Farland was relieved by Agent Dietz. On the morning of 2-19-35 Agent Dietz was in turn relieved by Agent Bryce. At approximately 4:30 P.M., 2-19-35, the surveillance of said apartment was suspended and all Agents returned to the Kansas City office.

During the surveillance of this apartment a very careful meticulous search was made for any evidence which might be deemed appropriate to this case. An inventory was made of the personal belongings found in the apartment which is as follows:

- 1 Suitcase, brown - full of shirts (size 14 $\frac{1}{2}$), underwear, etc., laundry marks "Nich" and "G.H."
- 1 Gladstone bag, black - empty.
- 1 Zipper bag, tan - men's and women's shoes.
- 1 Small bag, tan - toilet articles.
- 1 Boston bag, small, black - road maps and U. S. Mail plate.
- 1 Week end case, black - flashlight, garage bill, pocket book.
- 1 Pullman trunk, tan - tools, cord.
- 1 Metal suitcase, dark - clothing.
- 1 Crusader Radio, Model 14, #13799, \$22.50 Katz Drug Company, 1130 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Missouri (Climen Radio and Television Company, 1325 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago.)
- 3 Corduroy pants.
- 1 Richman suit, gray.
- 2 Odd pants.
- 1 Pair men's riding breeches, brown wool.
- 1 Brown suit, Hart-Schaffner-Marx.
- 1 Gray suit, Hart-Schaffner-Marx.
- 1 Gray checked suit.
- 1 Pair brown pants.
- 1 Pair blue corduroy pants.

- 1 Brown sweater vest, man.
- 1 Blue bath robe, man.
- 1 Coat sweater, brown, man.
- 1 Leather jacket, zipper, man.
- 1 Button leather jacket, man.
- 1 Herringbone overcoat, blue gray (March & Weber, Chicago).
- 1 Ladies' top coat, brown.
- 1 Ladies' bath robe, blue.
- 15 Neckties.
- 1 Hat, gray, 6 7/8, man, from William's Store, 3924 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri.
- 3 Ladies' berets.
- 1 Tweed cap, brown, man.
- 5 Ladies' blouses.
- 2 Dresses.
- 1 Umbrella, blue.
- 1 Pair men's pajamas, laundry mark "Nich".
- Various articles of soiled linen.
- 1 Pair men's black galoshes, size 7.
- 1 Pair men's bedroom slippers.
- 1 Pair ladies' shoes, black.
- 1 Pair men's black shoes.
- 1 Bundle soiled linen.
- 1 Drawer ladies' wash dresses and bath towels.
- 1 Drawer twelve men's shirts, laundry mark "G.H.", size 14 1/2.
- 1 Drawer ladies' handkerchiefs, hose, etc.
- 1 Drawer men's socks, handkerchiefs, etc.
- 1 Chain lock evidently purchased and put on by occupants.
- Various bottles of medicine which indicate occupant has a venereal disease.
- 1 Pair ladies' blue shoes (Boot Shop, Wichita, Kansas).
- 1 Pair ladies' red house slippers.

During the entire time this surveillance was in effect no one attempted to gain entrance to the apartment.

At this point it should be noted that on 3-2-35 the First National Bank, of Neosho, Missouri, was robbed by armed men totalling seven in number. It is deemed of particular significance that the modus operandi of the bandits in this robbery is closely similar to that of the men who, on 12-24-34, robbed the Okemah National Bank and the First National Bank, of Okemah, Oklahoma, pertinent details of which are recorded in the report of this Agent at Kansas City, Missouri, dated 2-21-35, in the instant case regarding the cases entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS - FIRST NATIONAL BANK, OKEMAH, OKLAHOMA - BANK ROBBERY" and "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS - OKEMAH NAT'L. BANK, OKEMAH, OKLA. - BANK ROBBERY" with Oklahoma

City, Oklahoma, the office of origin. Thorough investigation of this bank robbery was conducted by Special Agent L. S. Vandover together with Special Agents D. A. Bryce, W. B. O'Mahoney and W. I. Parry, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, and facts pertinent to the investigation conducted therein have been set out by Special Agent L. S. Vandover in memorandum form.

Inasmuch as numerous inquiries in Neosho, Missouri and vicinity were productive of the information that Volney Davis was possibly a participant in this bank robbery this memorandum is being set out in this report. On the basis of the information contained therein, the possibility of Davis having participated in this robbery will be borne in mind in further investigation to be conducted in the instant case, as well as that of persons thought to be his associates both at the present time and prior to his apprehension in Kansas City on February 6, 1935.

The memorandum submitted by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, of the Kansas City Office is as follows:

The following investigation was made by Special Agents L. S. Vandover, W. B. O'Mahoney, D. A. Bryce and V. I. Parry, of the Kansas City Bureau Office.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent L. S. Vandover in the case entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NEOSHO, MISSOURI - BANK ROBBERY" dated 3-14-35, wherein it is set out that Joe Roark, of the Roark Realty Company, Neosho, Missouri, advised Agents that on 3-1-35 he observed Volney Davis on the streets of Neosho, Missouri, walking up and down in front of the bank. In this connection Agent secured a copy of a contract entered into on May 17, 1932, whereby Volney Davis purchased 40 acres of land on Route 1, Neosho, Missouri in the name of his parents, Rodney and Amanda Davis, from Joe Roark of the Roark Realty Company. Roark advised that Volney Davis, at that time, paid \$1500.00 in cash for this property. Roark related that Volney, after walking up and down in front of the bank, was met by a girl whom he described as follows:

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| HEIGHT | 5'9" |
| AGE | Between 28 and 30 |
| HAIR | Blonde |
| BUILD | Medium |

Roark described Davis as follows:

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| HEIGHT | 5'10" |
| WEIGHT | 145 lbs. |
| AGE | 30 to 33 |
| COMPLEXION | Sandy light |
| HAIR | Sandy light |
| | Clean shaven |
| | Swaying walk, looked like he had been driving for a few days in view of the condition of his clothes. |
| DRESS | Brown suit, which was wrinkled. |
| | Gray topcoat. |

This information was immediately forwarded to Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and he advised Agents to maintain a surveillance on the Davis home. It was deemed desirable that Roark, in view of the fact he was acquainted with the folks of Volney Davis, should contact the latter. On 3-4-35 Roark visited the Davis' farm under the pretense that he had a prospective buyer. Mr. Davis advised that he would sell his farm for \$2000.00. While there the only persons that Roark observed were Mr. and Mrs. Harness, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, and N. B. Abney, Mrs. Davis' brother, and the baby of the Harness' which was born two months ago. Mrs. Harness was formerly Mildred Davis, a sister of Volney Davis. He also stated that during the general conversation with Mr. Davis he had learned the names of other members of the Davis' family. The names mentioned by Mr. Roark have already been

set forth in previous reports in this case and are incorporated on the identification order of Volney Davis. Roark further stated that he learned from Mr. Davis that the latter at one time operated a cafe at Reed's Spring, Missouri.

In this connection, investigation conducted at Reed's Spring, Missouri failed to furnish any information concerning the cafe allegedly operated by Rodney Davis. Persons contacted there stated that no person by the name of Davis ever owned or operated a cafe at that place.

In view of the fact that the photograph of William Weaver, alias Phoenix Donald, had been identified as being a participant in the robbery, together with the fact that Weaver is believed to have recently contacted one Viola Asher at West Plains, Missouri, investigation was conducted at West Plains, Missouri with a view of ascertaining whether or not Weaver had been seen in that vicinity recently.

Agents D. A. Bryce and W. B. O'Mahoney proceeded to West Plains, Missouri where Police Officer Walter Endicott and Chief of Police Crider were contacted. Chief of Police Crider stated he believed Mrs. Asher was residing at a point six or eight miles southwest of West Plains. Agents proceeded to this point and it was learned that Mrs. Viola Asher had moved the previous Friday, March 1st, to a point some three miles northeast of West Plains, Missouri. Inquiry in the vicinity of the residence formerly occupied by Viola Asher failed to furnish any information indicating that any strangers had been seen there recently.

Mrs. Viola Asher, contacted at her new residence, admitted knowing William Weaver but denied vigorously that she had seen him during the past year. She stated that she would be willing to furnish any information that came into her possession which might result in the apprehension of William Weaver to the Bureau. She was consequently furnished with the address of the Kansas City Office and the telephone number in order that she might immediately contact the office in the event she learned anything of value.

Through Joe Roark it was ascertained that Mildred Harness, Volney's sister, who is now living at the Davis home, about two months ago had a child. Agent Vandover then contacted Dr. E. C. Cullers, Neosho, Missouri, and he advised he is the family physician, having been retained for the past year by the Davis family. He was shown a photograph of Volney and he said to his knowledge he had never seen anyone resembling the photograph at the Davis home. He further advised he did not know they had a son. He was furnished with the telephone number and address of the Kansas City Office and advised that he would call, collect, should he see anyone at the Davis home resembling the photograph of Volney Davis, which was left with him.

Agents contacted Mr. Grant Biggs, who lives across the road from the Davis' farm, and he cooperated with Agents to the extent of allowing them partial use of his home to maintain a surveillance on the Davis' home. During the time that the Agents maintained this surveillance, as heretofore set out, nothing of value was observed. However, it was observed that Mildred Davis is in possession of a 1931 Chevrolet Sedan, which was sold between the 1st and 25th of April 1934. At the present time this car has 1934 Missouri license plates on it number 575-591, and has motor number 2875419.

It should also be noted that the Davis family does practically no farming and have only a little stock.

Upon discontinuance of the surveillance at the Davis' home, Agents left with Mr. Biggs a photograph and identification order of Volney Davis, together with the telephone number of the Kansas City Office, and he promised to immediately notify the Kansas City Office should he observe Volney Davis at the Davis farm, or should he notice any suspicious cars with foreign license plates.

Joe Roark was also given an identification order of Volney Davis, together with the telephone number of the Kansas City Office, and he also promised he would notify the Kansas City Office should he receive any information that Volney Davis was in Neosho or at the Davis farm. Arrangements were made with him that he would frequently visit the Davis farm looking to the possibility that Volney Davis may drop in there to visit his folks.

Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, particularly pages 83, 84, 85, 86 and 87. It will be noted that the section of the report indicated deals with information received from Jess Doyle and Edna Murray at the time of their incarceration in the Wyandotte County Jail, at Kansas City, Kansas, and investigation conducted pursuant thereto. It will be noted that both Doyle and Edna Murray had stated that Volney Davis had, on at least one or two occasions, contacted a person known as "Leo", residing at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, in Apartment 8. Furthermore, the report of reference, on the pages indicated, sets out the fact that on the night of February 15, 1935, Special Agents O'Mahoney and Bryce, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, maintained a surveillance at this apartment and observed certain men leave, whose respective descriptions are set out in the report. This surveillance was continued by Agents of the Kansas City Bureau Office until February 28, 1935, which date, as will be noted from information set out later in this report,

was subsequent to the time that Russell "Spike" Lane was apprehended by Bureau Agents and other occupants of that apartment had apparently abandoned the same.

On February 19, 1935, during the course of this surveillance, Special Agent John L. Madala, of the Chicago Bureau Office, who at that time was in Kansas City for the purpose of questioning Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, communicated with Mr. E. A. Tamm for the purpose of obtaining authority to raid Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, and to apprehend all persons living therein. Mr. Tamm at this time declined to give such authorization, advising that in the absence of definite and specific information concerning these people the Bureau felt this office had no right to enter the above mentioned apartment and to arrest anyone on suspicion. Further, it was not believed that the information obtained from Subjects Jess Doyle and Edna Murray was sufficiently reliable to warrant such a raid at that time. Mr. Tamm suggested that further surveillance of this address be maintained in an effort to secure additional information concerning the true identities of the occupants in Apartment 8. When advised that it appeared likely that Volney Davis would contact the occupants in Apartment 8 in the event he reappeared in Kansas City, Mr. Tamm suggested that he would leave it to the discretion of the Kansas City Office as to whether or not this place should be kept under further surveillance, adding that conference should be had with the United States Attorney, of Kansas City, Missouri, relative to the filing of a harboring charge against "Leo" and his associates.

In response to these instructions Assistant United States Attorneys Randall Wilson and Samuel Blair were contacted by the writer, accompanied by Special Agents Bryce and O'Mahoney, on February 20, 1935, and authority obtained to file complaint against John Doe alias Richard Roe alias "Leo" charging violation of Section 246, Title 18, U.S.C. (Harboring Volney Davis). Immediately after the warrant was issued, accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal Harry McDonald, entrance was effected to Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost, with the result that it was found to be unoccupied, although from the appearance of the apartment it seemed likely that the occupants might again return, inasmuch as considerable clothing and other personal effects were still there. A search was instituted at this time by the Agents of this office, the results of which will be set out later in this report.

Under date of February 23, 1935, the Bureau was advised, by telegram from this office, that the above mentioned complaint had been filed against John Doe alias Richard Roe alias "Leo" on the charge of harboring Volney Davis.

Acting on the authority of Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller, surveillance of this apartment by Bureau Agents was continued, although Agents were not actually occupying the apartment where the individuals sought had previously been residing. During all these activities close cooperation was had from the Carter family, including Mr. and Mrs. Carter and their son and daughter, managers of the apartments at 4915 Troost Avenue, who reported

to Agents any and all activity they detected in and around the apartment in question. It should also be noted that in the same apartment Deputy Sheriff Calloway, of the Sheriff's Office, Kansas City, Missouri, was a resident. On the evening of February 22, 1935, the fact that men had been seen leaving the apartment in question was transmitted to Deputy Sheriff Calloway by Miss Carter. As soon as this had come to the attention of Miss Carter she had immediately gone to the telephone to apprise this office of the information, but at that point had met Deputy Sheriff Calloway and told him of what she had seen. Accordingly, thereafter it was deemed expedient by this office to allow Deputy Sheriff Calloway to work in connection with the case inasmuch as certain information had been given to him by the Manager's daughter. He immediately notified the Kansas City Bureau Office, advising that two men had been seen leaving the apartment at 4915 Troost and had gone from there to a beer tavern at 3407 Troost Avenue, to which place Calloway had trailed them. He stated that he knew nothing of any investigation being conducted concerning this apartment prior to Miss Carter's talk with him, which, according to Calloway, had occurred a few minutes before he called this office. He stated that he would wait at the latter address until he was contacted by Agents from this office.

Special Agent Parry and the writer, at approximately 10:30 P.M. on Friday, February 22, 1935, immediately proceeded to 3407 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, in a Bureau Buick, having first been informed that Special Agents Scott, Clary and Bryce had left for the same place shortly before. The above car was parked on the East side of Troost, facing North, about 100 feet South of the entrance to the Tavern at 3407 Troost. Leaving Agent Parry in the car the writer went into the tavern and took a seat at the bar. The place was quite crowded but no one could be discerned at that time as being the individuals sought.

At this point, attention is again directed to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, wherein it is stated that the identity of the person referred to as "Leo" had never been definitely established. After ordering a glass of beer and observing as casually as possible the persons in the place, the writer left and went out to the car and then drove North to 34th Street, accompanied by Special Agent Parry, and then West to a point about 60 feet West of Troost, where the car was parked on the South side of 34th Street, facing East. The car being driven by Deputy Sheriff Calloway was at that time parked directly across from the Bureau car, on the North side of 34th Street, the same distance from the corner. Calloway stated that the men who had left the apartment at 4915 Troost were still inside the Tavern. The latter was in full view from the spot where the car was parked, and a minute or so later Agents Scott and Clary were seen to enter the front door of 3407 Troost. They were accompanied by Agent Bryce, who had already entered at the time Agents Scott and Clary were seen to go in. Leaving Agent Parry and Deputy Sheriff Calloway in the Buick the writer proceeded across Troost and again entered 3407 Troost; noticed Agents Bryce, Scott and Clary seated at a table and continued up to the bar. To avoid suspicion the

writer ordered another glass of beer and sat at the bar for three or four minutes. He then left and walked South on Troost about 200 feet, where he was joined about a minute later by Agent Bryce, who stated that he had spotted the man who appeared to be the individuals sought. Accordingly, both Agents went back to the Buick parked on 34th Street and decided to wait there until these people left the Tavern. Agent Bryce said that one of the men answered the description of Leo. It will be noted here that Agent Bryce was one of the Agents who had previously noticed persons taking their departure from Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue on February 15, 1935, which fact is set out in reference report.

At this point the writer left the car, walked about half a block North on Troost to a small restaurant and there contacted Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller by telephone and advised him of all developments that had occurred up to that point. Upon returning to the car the writer was informed that a person answering the description of Leo had come out of 3407 Troost, accompanied by a woman carrying a black hand trunk, and that both parties had walked West on the South side of 34th Street, passing the Buick car in which Agents Bryce and Parry, together with Deputy Sheriff Calloway, were seated. Upon receipt of this information the Buick car was immediately turned around and the writer drove West on 34th Street to Harrison Street, which is the first street West of Troost, and turned South. A woman was seen at that point walking on the sidewalk, and carrying what appeared to be a black hand trunk. She was headed in the direction of Armour Boulevard, which is 35th Street. It was apparent at that time that the man who previously had been walking with her had disappeared in the short distance of less than half a block. Consequently the car was driven South to Armour Boulevard, East one block to Troost, and North on Troost to a point about 200 feet South of 34th Street, where it was parked on the East side of Troost. The writer, accompanied by Agent Bryce, immediately jumped out of the car, ran north on Troost, turned the corner of 34th Street and started up 34th Street in a Westerly direction on the South side of the street in search of the man who had accompanied the woman carrying the black hand trunk. The Agents passed a man going East on the South side of 34th Street, toward Troost, at a point midway between Troost and Harrison, and after passing by him for approximately 50 feet Agent Bryce said to the writer "That's him".

Accordingly, Agent Bryce and the writer immediately wheeled around and went in the direction he had been going. When the Agents reached the corner of 34th and Troost the man above referred to was seen by the writer talking with another man in front of 3407 Troost, apparently excited, and then saw him hurriedly walk South on the East side of Troost toward 35th Street, followed by a tall man wearing a dark coat and a derby hat, who was in turn followed by another tall man dressed in like manner, all of whom had apparently just come out of 3407 Troost at the time the man answering the description of Leo had first come out. The writer immediately started diagonally across the car tracks on Troost Avenue in pursuit, and at that time the three men broke

into a run. At this point Agent Bryce went towards the door of 3407 Troost. The man answering the description of Leo, and the same who had been previously seen accompanied by the woman carrying the hand trunk, was about 3/4 of a block or a full block ahead and in the lead, followed by the other two men. At a point approximately 150 feet North of Armour Boulevard and on the East side of Troost is the Il Trovatore Cafe, near which the last man was seen to disappear. Upon reaching the entrance to this Cafe this person was grabbed by the writer, wheeled around and immediately informed of the fact that the writer was a Federal officer. He appeared to be slightly under the influence of liquor and made repeated attempts to get away. He also reached for his pocket but both of his arms were pinioned and shortly thereafter he was placed in a Bureau car which had pulled up alongside. This was done after Agent Bryce had come up from 3407 Troost and the man recognized by the writer to be Russell "Spike" Lane. This identification was possible inasmuch as the writer, through previous inquiries made at the Tavern in Leeds, Missouri, known as the Three Little Pigs, had seen Lane at that place where he was formerly the proprietor. Although being informed that he was in the custody of Federal officers he made repeated attempts to reach an overcoat pocket, which, upon search, revealed a loaded .45 caliber revolver.

Leaving Lane in custody of Special Agents Scott, Clary, Parry and Deputy Sheriff Calloway, immediate efforts were made by Special Agent Bryce and the writer to discover where the other two had gone, but attempts to locate them were unsuccessful. No information in this regard could be obtained at that time from Lane and after several attempts to discover the other two in the alley in the rear of the Il Trovatore Cafe and in the vicinity, Lane was taken to the Kansas City Office by Agents Scott and Clary, together with Deputy Sheriff Calloway.

Upon returning to the Bureau Office Acting Special Agent in Charge W. E. Miller was immediately advised by telephone of what had taken place. Lane was questioned thoroughly at the Kansas City Bureau Office by the Agents but refused to disclose any information relative to the two men who were with him except to say that both had been living at 4915 Troost, the one answering the description of Leo under the name of Charles Mitchell, and the other person under the name of Johnny Jackson. He stated he did not know anyone out there by the name of Leo. Further, he remarked that Mitchell had not been living there of late and that he, Lane, had only been there for about the last three weeks.

By reference to the reference report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, on page 85, it will be noted that Apartment 8, at 4915 Troost, was originally rented by a Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell the latter having moved into the building in August 1934. In addition, as the result of a search made of the above apartment prior to the apprehension of Lane, and the additional search made subsequent to his apprehension, facts of which will be set out later in this report, it was evident that another person had been living there whose identity has since been established as one Otto

Jackson, also known as Johnny Jackson, among other aliases. Further facts regarding this individual will also be recorded later in this report.

Acting upon information received from Lane that he had spent the previous two nights at the Amidor Hotel, which is located on the north-east corner of 33rd and Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, Agents O'Mahoney, Vandover, Bryce, Parry and the writer proceeded immediately to the Amidor Hotel, where inquiries were made concerning Lane and his associates. Lane had told the writer that he had registered there under the name of "Frank Orchard" which proved to be the truth, but no information concerning anybody else could be obtained at that time at the Amidor. In explanation of this Lane later said that the possible reason was that when Johnny Jackson had come there on February 20th or 21st he, Lane, alone had registered.

In regard to the Amidor Hotel, further investigation was made on February 25, 1935, by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, where the pictures of Lane and Jackson were positively identified as persons having come there on the following dates:

2-19-35 F. B. Orchard (admitted alias of Lane) Room 5, registered in 12:10 A.M.

2-19-35 J. W. Snead (thought to be an alias of either Lane or Jackson), Room 4, registered in 2:30 A.M.

2-20-35 L. Jackson, Room A1, registered in at 2:25 A.M.

2-21-35 - Orchard - Room 5, registered in 1:45 A.M.

2-22-35 - Orchard, Room A1, registered in 3:55 A.M.

At the time investigation was conducted at the Amidor Hotel by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, the picture of Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., Subject in the case entitled "THOMAS HENRY ROBINSON, JR., with aliases, I.O. #1233, ET AL - MRS. ALICE SPEED STOLL - VICTIM - KIDNAPING", was partially identified as that of J. H. Snead, above referred to. However, from further inquiries made it is apparent at this time that the above information was erroneous, although in subsequent investigation to be conducted by this office in the instant case, as well as the STOLLNAP case, this fact will be borne in mind.

After a lengthy questioning on the early morning of 2-23-35 Lane was brought, by the writer, accompanied by Special Agent L. S. Vandover and Deputy Sheriff John Kelly and Deputy Sheriff Calloway, to the Jackson County Jail where he was booked on a charge of investigation. At that time the writer was informed by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly that Lane was also wanted by him for questioning in the robbery of the Webb City, Missouri Bank, which offense had occurred on May 10, 1934, at Webb City, Missouri. Sheriff Kelly stated that Lane would also be held on that charge.

Immediately thereafter Special Agent Vandover, the two Deputy Sheriffs, and the writer proceeded to a disreputable hotel located at 6807 1/2 Independence Road, Kansas City, Missouri, where Lane, according to his own statement, had been residing, and it was found that Lane had simply been occupying a single room and nothing of value in this case was discovered. Later, on the morning of 2-23-35, the writer was advised by Deputy Sheriff Kelly that the State would prefer charges of Carrying Concealed Weapons against Lane. However, at this writing it appears that such charges will not be brought inasmuch as the Sheriff's Office has informed the writer that owing to the political influence which can be exerted in behalf of Lane on practically any State charge, the filing of any such complaint would be useless.

Description of Russell "Spike" Lane, as obtained from the Sheriff's Office, Kansas City, Missouri, is as follows:

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| NAME | RUSSELL "SPIKE" LANE, alias Vernon Johnson, alias Joe Snead, alias Frank Orchard |
| AGE | 35 |
| HEIGHT | 5'11" |
| WEIGHT | 148 lbs. |
| EYES | Blue |
| HAIR | Dark chestnut |
| COMPLEXION | Medium |
| BUILD | Slender |
| OCCUPATION | Lather |
| MARITAL STATUS | Married - wife's name Maude; separated; Child - Emma Lane, residing 3519 Freemont Street, Kansas City, Missouri. |
| CHARACTERISTICS | Gold fillings in upper front teeth |
| F.P.C. | 29 I 6 4 M 14 |
| NUMBER | Sheriff's Office, Jackson County, Mo., 348 |

Under date of March 18, 1935, a request for the complete criminal record of Lane, together with that of Otto Jackson, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department Number 22596, fingerprint classification 5 U 00 17 was made by this office. 17 R 10 13

In regard to the .45 caliber Colt revolver recovered from Lane's possession by this office, it was ascertained by telegram dated February 26, 1935, from the Washington Field Office that there was no record at the War Department of .45 caliber Colt's revolver, model 1909, number 32851. This office was further advised that the same was an obsolete type and had been sold to individuals properly endorsed; accordingly, any proposed action on illegal possession of Government property cannot be instituted against Lane. Further information in this respect is contained in the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss, dated at Washington, D.C. 2-26-35.

Facts concerning Lane were placed before the United States Attorney at Kansas City, Missouri on February 25, 1935, and upon his authorization a complaint charging one John Doe alias Richard Roe alias "Leo" and Russell Lane, alias "Spike" Lane, with violation of Section 246, Title 18, U.S.C. (Harboring Volney Davis, alias G. R. Hansen, alias G. L. Harper), same being filed on the same date before United States Commissioner George Beardsley at Kansas City, Missouri. Upon being arraigned Lane entered plea of Not Guilty. His bond was fixed at \$10,000.00, in default of which he was placed in the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, where he is at the present time incarcerated, the date of hearing being set for Friday, March 22, 1935, before United States Commissioner George Beardsley.

In connection with charges being preferred against Lane, it should also be noted here that a warrant for Lane's arrest, charging him with participation, on May 10, 1934, in the robbery of the Webb City Bank, Webb City, Missouri, has been issued and filed by J. T. Aldridge, Justice of the Peace, Jasper County, Missouri, bearing the date of February 26, 1935. From information forthcoming from the Sheriff's Office at Jackson County, Missouri, the writer has been informed that action on State charge of bank robbery will be held in abeyance until disposition of Federal charges concerning Lane is made.

It should be noted here that a search of the property recovered in Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri, which was made both before and after the apprehension of Lane on February 22, 1935, revealed, among other things, a quantity of nitro glycerine, Lane having admitted, after being incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail, that certain bottles in the kitchen of the above apartment contained such high explosive. Accordingly, until February 26, 1935, at which time the bottles presumably containing nitro glycerine were removed from the apartment, a thorough search of the cupboard in which the same had been secreted had not been made. As the Bureau was informed, by letter under date of February 23, 1935, subsequent to a conversation had by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan with Mr. Tamm on February 26, 1935, Assistant United States Attorney Randall Wilson was contacted and suggested he knew of no way by which a release required by the Hercules Powder Company, before proceeding with the destruction of the nitro glycerine, could be executed by any Federal Agency. The assistance of the above Powder Company was enlisted to effect an extermination of the high explosive, and they, in turn, had signified their desire to have a release executed in order that any injury resulting in a premature explosion of same would not be held to their account. However, subsequently, through contact with Sheriff Thomas Bash, at Kansas City, arrangements were made whereby this release was signed by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly, of Mr. Bash's office, and on the afternoon of 2-26-35 the bottles presumably containing nitro glycerine were removed from the apartment and taken to the magazine of the Hercules Powder Company, near Kansas City, Missouri, and there exploded by use of dynamite caps and fuses under the direction of the Explosive Expert of that Company, Mr. Peacock. Special Agent H. E. Andersen, of this office, and Deputy Sheriff John Kelly were present at the time. Agent Andersen advises that two of the bottles, containing something over one pint of fluid,

were found to contain nitro glycerine, and did explode. The third bottle failed to explode, Mr. Peacock advising it was not nitro glycerine. The latter has promised to furnish this office with a report concerning his findings in this matter.

In addition to the numerous articles recovered from Lane's apartment, which will be set out hereafter in this report, a more thorough search of the cupboard where the nitro glycerine was stored, revealed at the time of the removal of the bottles a receipt for a safety deposit box at the Parsons Safety Deposit Company, 1804 Broadway, Parsons, Kansas, which was tucked away beneath or behind one of the bottles of nitro glycerine, and which had not been previously found due to the apparent danger from handling these containers. This receipt showed the rental of Box 130 at the above company on January 8, 1935 for the period of one year by one F. W. Wilson.

Immediate inquiries were made at Parsons, Kansas, by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, of this office, where it was found that this Safety Deposit Company is operated by an elderly woman in the rear of a mercantile establishment. Upon interview she informed the Agent that on February 17, 1935, a burglary had occurred in her establishment, during which approximately 40 safety deposit boxes, including number 130, had been entered by boring out the lock, and all contents removed. This woman had no information or description of the person renting the box, advising that her ledger which contained information of this character, had also been stolen during the burglary. Through inquiry at the Parsons, Kansas Police Department, Agent Vandover determined that it was the opinion of that Department that this robbery was a local job. This office will be advised of any information of interest developed by the Parsons Police in this matter.

An itemized list of the property found in Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, containing those things which give any possibility of producing information upon investigation of the whereabouts of any of the Subjects in this case, together with their associates, are being set out as follows:

An envelope addressed to Mr. Locko Johnson (since found to be an alias of Johnny Jackson), 2824 Utah Street, St. Louis, Missouri, postmarked 6-29-32 at 3 P.M. from the American Central Insurance Company, Mrs. J. H. Skinner, Agent, Jonesburg, Missouri.

A notice from the Kansas City Star which was taken under the name of A. Jackson.

Letter postmarked Leavenworth, Kansas, 6:30 P.M. July 13, 1934, from P.O. Box 7, Leavenworth, addressed to Mr. James B. Swearingen, 3519 Gould Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Receipt for city license number 51577, 1935 Missouri tags 68-177, 813 Spruce Street, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 2-1-35, motor number 16T4616.

State of Missouri Certificate of Title for motor vehicle number 3583824, issued for a 1929 Reo Sedan, Motor number 16E4616, for Calvin Sims, 813 Spruce Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Pencil notation of the Kansas City Marble & Tile Company, 3029 Roanoke Road.

Another notation "Madison Block Pharmacy, 3021 Southwest Boulevard. 11:30 - 12:30 Saturday".

One hack saw.

One combination punch.

One ball peen hammer.

Dynamite fuses; percussion caps; small quantity of powdered dynamite, prepared for boiling "soup".

Quantity of food, including coffee, butter, eggs, corn meal, etc.

Numerous toilet articles, including shaving cream, unguentine, asperin, etc. in medicine chest in bathroom.

Five tooth brushes.

Two State of Illinois maps.

One pamphlet entitled "Sexology", Number 10, Volume 1, dated June 1934, edited by Sexology Magazine, 725 West Broadway, New York City, by David Keller, M.D. Editor.

Two holsters.

Two .45 caliber bullets.

One .38 caliber bullet.

One Motor Vehicle Driver's license 18718 bearing date January 39, 1935, issued to Charles E. Owens, Montrose Hotel, with description: Brown Hair; Hazel eyes; male; 6'; 150 pounds.

One brown small trunk, army locker.

One black brief bag.

Pair men's black shoes.

Two pairs of men's white sport shoes;

One pair of Seersucker pants;

Bundle of men's dirty clothing (socks, underwear, handkerchiefs, etc.).

One pair of light gray trousers; one brown hand bag;

One black pasteboard suit case;

One large cardboard box packed with numerous articles of women's clothing: dresses, sport hats; sport shoes, etc.

One light brown Stetson Hat.

One gray felt hat, size 7.

One gray cap, size 7;

One blue "Parkway" felt hat.

one gray "Famous Brand" hat;

Three pairs of gray trousers;

One Richman Brothers black Chesterfield coat;

One Richman Brothers brown double-breasted suit with two pairs of trousers;

One light brown suit, Kansas City Custom Garment Company;

One light brown topcoat, Eagle Clothing Company;

Two ladies dresses, one black, and one blue and gray;
 One Richman Brothers light blue checked suit with two pairs of trousers.
 One blue serge suit, Weiner & Hilton make, marked "Dalton";
 One gray Gaberdine suit;
 Two pairs of women's bloomers;
 One blue bathing suit;
 Six men's shirts, size 15, marked with name "Dalton";
 One pair of blue pajamas;
 Eight men's neckties.
 Several small cards of the tavern known as the Three Little Pigs with
 the following notations on the back thereof:

1. Linwood 1003 - Victor 9843.
2. Grand 2846 - Roland.
3. Harrison 4656 and Harrison 4657 - Gertie.
4. Harrison 4657 - Gertie.
5. Westport 6359 - Pap.
6. Victor 9659 and Lo. 0181 and Linwood 9854.
7. Victor 3928 1118 B East 12th.

It should be noted at this point that careful consideration
 is being given to the above telephone numbers and addresses for any possible
 information regarding the whereabouts of Davis or his associates which may be
 obtained therefrom.

One piece of cardboard measuring approximately 2" x 4", containing
 numerous symbols which might indicate a record of the activities
 at a certain spot, possibly a bank, between the hours of 6:20 A.M.
 and 8:50 A.M. From a close examination it also appears that
 it indicates the report made after the surveillance of a bank
 prior to a well planned robbery. This piece of cardboard is
 being transmitted to the Bureau with the request that a search
 be made of the modus operandi files so that the same might be
 compared with the known activities of bank robbers in the past
 and for other suitable purposes.

One small scrap of paper containing the following notation: "C.
 Glover, 1340 North West 17th Street, Oklahoma City".

One empty envelope bearing stamp permit, addressed to Literary
 Digest, 354-360 4th Avenue, New York, New York, on the back
 of which is the pencil notation "627 Gaylord Apartments, 27
 Troost.

Concerning the above Oklahoma City address, attention of the
 Oklahoma City Office is directed thereto, and a request made that immediate
 attention be given thereto and the appropriate inquiry made. This action is
 particularly desired at this time inasmuch as it is thought quite possible that

Lane and his associates were participants in the robbery of the two National Banks at Okemah, Oklahoma on December 24, 1934.

One receipt dated 12-18-34 made out to Mr. Mitchell for \$5.00 for rent of apartment number 8 at 4915 Troost, on account, signed E. E. Arnold.

Receipt of the National Bond & Investment Company dated 12-31-34, Received of Hilliard Motor Company and Jess Swearingen \$38.98, being an installment, most likely, on the payment of a motor car.

A small piece of white paper measuring about 3" x 4" containing the following formula:

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| Acid tanic | Zeta Tan |
| Acid boric | Zeta Pi |
| Cocoa butter | 240 Grs. |
| Mix 12 suppositories. | |

One-half of a picture postcard containing the printed name "Rosedale Baths and Hotel, 301 South Mills Street, Rosedale, Kansas, on which is the following pencil notations:

Kansas City Marble & Tile Company, 3029 Roanoke Road;
Madison Block Pharmacy, 3021 Southwest Boulevard,
11:30 - 12:30 Saturday.

Kansas City, Missouri motor vehicle license tag for 1935 Number 8401.

A scrap of paper containing the inscription "F.C. 574."

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Personal card of E. C. Foster, Sales Department, Noel V. Wood, Inc., 24th and Grand, Kansas City, Missouri.

Card for the Club Hotel, 1124-26 East 15th Street (Second Floor) Kansas City, Missouri.

Card of the Industrial Machinery Company, 641 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, Kansas, on the back of which appears, as well as can be made out, the following: "Danville 1927 Jean Friend Dooley. Billie Rosditcher, new place."

Scrap of paper about 7 inches long, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wide containing the following: "H. W. Willsey, J.P., Lees Summit, Mo. Be 2294 - Nick.

Card for Three Little Pigs, on the back of which appears "Emma Lee, Snyderhof Hotel, Room 419, Call after 2:30 P.M.

Cardboard check called "Inspectors Rejection" of the Ternstedt Mfg. Co., on the back of which appears the following: "James Whaton, 3765 East 28th St." "D.L. 110033012L1, We. 8131" - 0753 Li 10 Avery".

One portion of snapshot of a girl measuring approximately 1" square.

One snapshot measuring approximately 2" x 3" picturing a man in overalls between two horses. The inscription on the back: "Otto, Kate & Jack".

Snapshot measuring about 2" x 4" of a man resembling picture of Otto Jackson, referred to in this report.

Snapshot super-imposed on a postcard of regular size, the snapshot appearing to be about 2 1/2" x 3" in size, of a man, identity unknown, appearing to be approximately 55 or 60 years of age.

A black leather note book, approximately 2" x 4 1/2" in size issued by the Florsheim Shoe Shop, 1009 Main Street, Kansas City, Mo. with one notation on the first sheet of paper, as follows: 2:15 A.M. Friday 21-481. 35 15th Blue - Truck.

Letter addressed "Friend James" dated Leavenworth, Kansas, Friday, 13th, 1934, evidently letter taken from the envelope postmarked Post Office Box 7, Leavenworth, Kansas, mentioned above, and signed "Chas." The contents thereof relate to no persons specifically whose activities are connected in any way in this case. It deals for the most part with inquiries made as to old friends, one particular item which might be of importance being: "I loose my case on June 14th, and now I haven't any more chances. Not until later on anyway: "Peggie" will stop by and see you for a few minutes when he goes through: send me one of those pictures and the other two to Billie Westbrook, Box C, Dwight, Ill. Poor kid is having it tough, is Locked up Permanently now. Was denied Parole, Her Date is now 1940; unless some one can Visit her and find out what she Wants; and it takes a Lawyer to get in to see her: Did you read of that "Louse Can" in Ark. killing that girl a few days ago. What has the world turned to? "Open Season" on everyone I guess."

In addition, it will be noted Post Office Box 7, Leavenworth, Kansas, is the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

One 1934 Missouri automobile certificate, register number 586111 made out to Jess B. Swearingen, 3519 Gould, Kansas City, Missouri dated 11-8-34 for 1934 Plymouth Coupe, Motor Number PE22014.

One State of Missouri Certificate of Title dated 1-26-35 for 1935 Plymouth Coupe, Motor Number PJ42423 made out to Jess B. Swearingen,

3519 Gould, Kansas City, Mo. title number being 4421204, Certificate of Title also bears notation that the motor vehicle described is subject to the following lien: \$545.72, Hilliard Motor Company, Independence, Missouri 1-22-35.

One invoice Hilliard Motor Company, 218 North Osage Street, Independence, Missouri dated 1-22-35 made out to Jess B. Swearingen, Kansas City, Missouri, salesman being Mr. Miller, setting out trade-in of a 1934 Plymouth Coupe, Motor Number PE22014, Certificate of Title number 4180657, and the purchase of a 1935 Plymouth Coupe, serial number 1050207, motor number PJ42423, total price being \$680.00, additional item itemized as Hilliard Motor to pay off National Bond \$584.70; third item "finance \$15.00", total being \$1279.70.

Also a receipt number 741934 issued by the Sinclair Refining Company Service Station, Number 8, Kansas City, Missouri, made out to M. W. Earnest, dated 10-8-34, address 3504 East 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, for Plymouth car, license number 558-677, speedometer reading 11267, serviced by T. Lee. Salesman or foreman being E.M. Smith. Charles : \$1.45 for 5 quarts of oil and 75¢ lubrication of chassis plus Federal Lubricant Tax 5¢, Total \$2.25.

At this point it should also be noted that the following property was recovered from the person of Russell Lane on the occasion of his apprehension on February 22, 1935:

Currency:

Two (2) \$100.00 bills, numbers:
Federal Reserve Bank notes, 10th District:
Serial Number J00043740A;
" " J00141704A;

Three (3) \$10.00 bills, Federal Reserve Notes, 10th District, Serial Numbers:

J04594345-A
J04068800-A
J09574573-A.

One (1) \$10.00 bill, National Currency, First National Bank of Pierce, City, Missouri, serial number A0001984225.

Silver: One (1) 50¢ piece; one (1) 25¢ piece; One (1) nickel;
Two (2) pennies - Total 82¢. Grand Total \$240.82.

One (1) Green Conklin fountain pen;
One (1) Lomitor green automatic pencil;

One (1) diamond stick pin, about .35 Carat, apparently White Gold or Platinum setting.

One (1) cheap collar pin;

One (1) Match King Cigar Lighter;

One (1) small screw driver with yellow glass handle;

One (1) gold Masonic ring with diamond weighing about .30 Carat.

One (1) watch chain and pocket knife;

One (1) Ball open face pocket watch, 19 Jewels, Adjusted works, B404672; 14K Gold Filled case number 7484004;

Five (5) red glass dice with white spots;

One (1) leather covered note book;

Four (4) keys;

One (1) piece celluloid.

One (1) Counterfeit dollar bill, silver certificate, No. U83017036-A.

In addition to the keys mentioned above it will also be noted that a group of keys was also recovered from Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, which are also being held in the Kansas City Bureau Office.

It will further be noted that the above mentioned counterfeit dollar bill was turned over to the United States Secret Service, Treasury Department, Kansas City, Missouri on March 1, 1935.

Inasmuch as Lane, during the time he was questioned by Bureau Agents, had informed that he had been driving a 1935 Plymouth Coupe, Motor Number PJ42423, Missouri Certificate of Title for which car had been found among his effects at Apartment 8, 4915 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri, an investigation was conducted by the writer at the office of the Hilliard Motor Company, Independence, Missouri on 2-26-35, and later at the office of Mr. Robert C. Hyde, Adjuster for Insurance Companies, 1004 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri. Furthermore, Lane had further stated that shortly prior to his arrest the above car had been smashed up near Independence, Missouri, and was then towed to the garage of the Hilliard Motor Company at Independence, Missouri, for repairs.

At the above Agency Agent contacted Mr. H. P. Phillips, General Manager of the Hilliard Motor Company, and while there also conferred with Mr. Hyde, Insurance Adjuster. On 1-22-35, from the records of the Hilliard Motor Company, it was learned that Lane bought the car under the name of Jess B. Swearingen, which name, it will be noted, appears on Missouri Certificate of Title Number 4221204, the address being given as 3519 Gould, Kansas City, Missouri. Gould Street is now known as Freemont and the address, 3519 is situated about two blocks distant from the Tavern known as the Three Little Pigs, formerly operated by Lane, and, as will be recalled by reference to matter contained earlier in the body of this report, a known habitat of the criminal element.

It was further ascertained in Independence, Missouri, from invoice 3554, dated January 22, 1935, that on the date of purchase of the above 1935 Plymouth Coupe, Lane had traded in a 1934 Plymouth Coupe, Motor Number

PR22014, obtaining a trade-in allowance of \$500.00. The invoice further shows that the price of the new car was \$680.00, plus an item of \$584.70, which is billed as "Hilliard Motor to pay off National Bond", plus a third item of \$50.00 for finance charges, totaling \$1279.70. Mr. Phillips, the General Manager of Hilliard Motor Company, further stated that the purchaser of the above car was known to him only as Jess B. Swearingen, but when shown a picture of Russell Lane, readily identified the same as that of the man known to him as Swearingen. He stated, as was apparent from the invoice records, that he had had prior dealings with Lane and at no time knew of his criminal tendencies.

From Mr. Hyde, of Rodda & Hyde, Insurance Adjusters, it was learned that on 2-19-35 Lane had made a report of his accident, stating that the same had occurred on 2-15-35 at about 2:15 A.M. on 15th Street, just west of the bridge which spans a small creek known as Blue River, adjacent to the Eastern city limits of Kansas City, Missouri. He was proceeding West at the time, and, according to his own statement, ran into the back of a truck which he claimed was parked on the highway. Lane's report further narrated that the truck bore Missouri 1935 license plates T-21-481 and was a transport truck with trailer. Furthermore, in his statement, Lane, under the alias of Swearingen, claimed to be 42 years of age and an employee of the Missouri Pacific Railroad as an iron driver. These facts were all given to Robert C. Hyde on the occasion of Lane's report of the accident which, as will be noted above, was 2-19-35.

On or about February 20, 1935, Lane had again appeared at Hyde's office in Kansas City, Missouri, at which time he was accompanied by another individual whose name was not given but whose description is as follows:

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| AGE | About 30 to 35 |
| HEIGHT | 6'1" |
| WEIGHT | 200 lbs. |
| HAIR | Dark |
| EYES | Blue. |
| BUILD | Heavy, walks very erect. |
| | Good looking, smooth shaven. |
| COMPLEXION | Florid. |

It will be noted that the above description tallies in practically every respect with that of the known description of Otto Jackson, with aliases, a close associate of Lane.

Further information gleaned from the records of Mr. Hyde is to the effect that on 12-1-34 Lane had had another collision in his 1934 Plymouth Coupe bearing 1934 Missouri license 586-111. The report of this accident, which is in the files of the insurance adjusters, namely - Rodda & Hyde, states that the car was alleged to be the property of Mr. J. B. Swearingen with age given as 38 and address at 3519 Gould. The accident had occurred at 17th and Holmes,

Kansas City, Missouri, involving a second car, a Chevrolet 1934 Sedan, 1934 Missouri tags 561-193, the property of H. McCord, and being driven by one Clifford Venerable, 3029 Harrison, age 31, a negro. In this accident Venerable was hurt, having been cut over the left eye and he was subsequently treated by Dr. Dillman, General Hospital Number 2. The report also carried the name of Otto Jackson as being Lane's companion on this occasion, but no address was given for Jackson. The investigating officers were Majors and Brennan, of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department. Also one G. Lippincott, 2850 Harrison, age 49, telephone number Victor 6564, was listed as a witness.

Further investigation by this office is being conducted in response to these facts and these persons, with the thought in mind that the same may be productive of further information concerning Lane and his associates. A suitable specimen of Lane's handwriting has been procured through the courtesy of Mr. Robert C. Hyde and the same is being forwarded to the Bureau for suitable analysis.

It should be noted that in connection with the interview had on 2-26-35 with Mr. Phillips of the Hilliard Motor Company, the latter mentioned the name of one Hubert E. Miller employed as a salesman for the above Company in the Sheffield Store, near Independence, Missouri. This was given in response to inquiries made by the writer concerning a 1933 Plymouth Coupe, which, during the time of surveillance of the apartment at 4915 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri was being maintained, was seen in that vicinity. A check of 1934 Missouri license tags 551-690, which were on the above car, revealed that the same was listed under the name of O. B. Flaherty, 3621 Forest Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, at which address subsequent inquiries revealed no person by that name lived there.

Mr. Phillips, however, offered the information that there was an O.B. Flaherty with whom his company had had prior dealings, and that on such occasions the business was transacted with the above mentioned Mr. Miller. Accordingly, it is at this time noted that interview with the salesman Miller might possibly be productive of some information in respect to the various purchasers of cars through the company by which he is employed. Same will be done as quickly as possible.

It might also be noted that Mr. Randall, an associate of Mr. Hyde in the office of the Insurance Adjusters, at the address given above, also has supplied the information that a friend of Lane's, name unknown, is supposed to be presently working at a bookie establishment at 1118 McGee. This matter will also be given appropriate attention, as well as further investigation at 3519 Freemont Street, Kansas City, Missouri, the address of J. B. Swearingen.

From Mr. Hyde it was learned there is a party by the name of J. F. Swearingen living at that address, thought to be a brother-in-law of Lane's. Several attempts have been made to interview him, but on each occasion people residing at that address have been absent from home. Mr. J. F. Swearingen is presently employed, according to Mr. Hyde, at a creosoting plant in Leeds, Missouri.

In respect to the 1933 Plymouth Coupe, mentioned above, bearing 1934 Missouri license plates 551-690, which have been traced to O. B. Flaherty, mentioned above, the same car was reported to have been seen in the vicinity of 4915 Troost at an earlier date bearing 1934 Missouri license 193-468. Result of inquiries in this connection disclosed that the above tags had been issued to one Glenn M. Teel, 2814 McNair Street, St. Louis, Missouri for a Hupmobile car, Motor Number A44758.

Further inquiries through the Motor Vehicle Department of the Secretary of State's Office, Jefferson City, Missouri, disclosed the further fact that the Missouri Certificate of Title number for this car is 1685682, the records further stating that it had been purchased at the Weber Motor Company, 1901 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri, on 2-7-27, the purchaser paying cash.

The attention of the St. Louis Office is being directed to this matter so that appropriate investigation can be made concerning the above mentioned owner of 1934 Missouri tags 193-468. The attention of the St. Louis Office is further directed to the fact that it is possible that the above mentioned tags were seen on a 1933 Plymouth Coupe other than the one reported to have been owned by O. B. Flaherty, mentioned above. Also, due to the poor light in the vicinity of 4915 Troost it is possible that the numbers quoted above are not the actual ones seen. However, it is deemed expedient at this time that attention be given this matter so as to exhaust all possibilities.

Concerning the further investigation conducted relative to Lane and his known associates, inquiries in Independence, Missouri and vicinity have been productive of certain information, which has been set out in memorandum form, which memorandum is included in this report, as follows:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents R. G. Reed and the writer on 3-7-35 and 3-8-35:

On the evening of 3-6-35, a telephone communication was received from Mr. H. F. Phillips, a police officer connected with the Department of Police at Independence, Missouri, to the effect that in connection with the recent apprehension by Bureau Agents of Russell "Spike" Lane, which occurred on February 22, 1935, at Kansas City, Missouri, there was certain information to be had regarding the latter's associates, who had resided in Independence, Missouri, and who had numerous contacts there. In response to this information, the above Agents interviewed Police Officer Phillips on 3-7-35 and were advised that information had come into his hands to the effect that Lane, together with associates known as Johnny Jackson, Whitey and Bud Tatem, had been frequent visitors at a place known as the Van Horn Inn, which is situated a mile or two west of Independence, Missouri, on the road leading into Kansas City. Mr. Phillips offered this information in the hope that it might be of assistance in locating persons known to be recent associates of Lane and whose present whereabouts are now unknown. In addition, he stated that most of these facts had been conveyed to him by one Jess Foster, a gambler living in Independence, Missouri, but who in the past had often been of assistance to Phillips in numerous cases.

About six or eight weeks prior to the visit of the above Agents, according to Phillips, the safe of the Puckett Fruit Company in Independence, Missouri, had been blown open, indications being that nitroglycerine had been used. The suspects in this case were, and still are, Lane, Jackson, and the person known as Whitey. Bud Tatem, above referred to, was supposed to have been the man who fingered the job. However, as far as Phillips knew, Tatem had left the vicinity shortly after, although the other three were known to have visited the vicinity of Independence subsequent to this robbery. Jess Foster had given this information to Phillips and stated that early in the evening on which this robbery occurred, he had seen these four men at the Van Horn Inn, and in addition to identifying Jackson and Lane, had given the following description of the man referred to as Whitey:

About 30 years of age
weight 140 pounds
height about 5 ft. 8 or 9 in.
light hair (blonde)
fair complexion.

It will be noted by reference to the report of Special Agent R. B. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, 2-21-35, that this description tallies in practically every respect with that of Subject Volney Davis.

In addition, from information given Special Agents John L. Madala of the Chicago Bureau office and the writer during the time that Edna Murray and Jess Boyle were incarcerated at the Wyandotte County Jail, Kansas City, Kansas, Davis was in all probability an associate of these men, who at that time were living at 4915 Troost, at which address Davis had been a visitor.

Further reference to the statement made by Edna Murray, which is contained in the above mentioned report of the writer, discloses that she also paid a visit to the above address, namely, 4915 Troost, on the evening of 8-6-35, in search of Davis. It will be recalled that this was the day on which Volney Davis was apprehended by Bureau Agents at the United Motor Service, Inc., in Kansas City, Missouri, at approximately 11:30 a.m.

An attempt was made on the same date to contact Jess Foster, with the assistance of Mr. Phillips in Independence, Missouri, but he could not be located. The Agents conducting this investigation returned to the Kansas City Bureau office and were later notified on the evening of 3-7-35 by telephonic communication from Mr. Phillips that Foster had been located and shortly after, the latter, in company of police officer Phillips, appeared at the Kansas City Bureau office and was questioned by Special Agent R. G. Reed and the writer. He stated that he resided in Independence, Missouri, and had known Russell Lane, Jackson and one Everett Pendleton, an associate of the other two men, for quite some time. Foster had been employed during the summer of 1934 at the Tavern known as the Three Little Pigs in Leeds, Missouri, where he acted as an assistant bar-tender, and also worked at the dice table, which was conducted at that place. It will be recalled by reference to prior reports emanating from this office that the Three Little Pigs in Leeds, Missouri, has been thought to be a tavern frequented by many questionable characters, and has been the scene of under-cover work by Agents of this office during the past six months. At that time, Lane was the proprietor of the Three Little Pigs, having purchased the same in April or May of 1934 from one Arch Ramsey; Lane in turn had sold it to a man named Pickett in August or September of last year, altho he is not now operating this tavern. According to the information in Foster's possession, the same is now closed. While employed there Foster stated that he had seen the following individuals, in addition to Russell Lane; Charley Mitchell,

about 35 years old

175 pounds

5 ft. 6 in.

dark complexion

dark hair

stocky build

long face

looks Italian or Jewish (this man was also seen on

one occasion by Foster at the Van Horn Inn.)

One Leo
about 45 years old
5 ft. 9 in. tall
165 pounds in weight
light hair
light complexion
thin face
wearing thick glasses.
Thought to be near-sighted.

These persons, according to Foster, were always in the company of Spike Lane and Johnny Jackson, whose descriptions have been hereinbefore set out.

After his employment at the Three Little Pigs had terminated in the summer of 1934, Foster worked at the Van Horn Inn, situated in the outskirts of Independence, Missouri, where Lane and Jackson were frequent visitors. It was there that he saw for the first time the person known as Whitey, the same being (as well as he could remember) on or about January 31, 1935. It will be noted by reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated 2-21-35, and the report of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, dated 2-11-35, that this was approximately one week before the apprehension of Davis in Kansas City, Missouri, as hereafter mentioned. On that date, Whitey was accompanied by Lane and Jackson, on which occasion Foster overheard a conversation between Lane and the other two, in which Lane was doing the speaking, and in which he made the utterance to the effect that Whitey was an escaped convict. He again described the person known to him as Whitey, which description tallied in every respect with that of Volney Davis.

Foster also volunteered the information upon being shown a picture of one Everett Pendleton that he knew the latter since he was a boy and stated that he had been residing quite recently in Independence, Missouri, but was thought to have moved within the last week or so to Kansas City.

Concerning the individuals above referred to as Charley Mitchell and Leo, Foster had not much information to offer, except that they were known to be associates of Lane and Jackson.

It will be recalled by reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated 2-21-35, that the above mentioned individuals are recorded as being occupants of Apartment 8, at 4915 Troost, at which place Davis had been a visitor prior to his apprehension in Kansas City, Missouri, as has already been set forth. Mitchell, according to Foster, was also an associate of one Don Baker, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department.

No. 22337 and had been running around with a girl friend of Baker, who went by the name of Doris, last name unknown. The latter was reported to have been living at the Chase Hotel, which is situated between 8th and 10th Streets in Kansas City, Missouri. This was around the 15th of January. Doris was described as follows:

About 25 years old;
5 ft. 4 in. tall;
130 pounds in weight;
dark hair - bobbed;
dark complexion;
fairly nice looking.

In addition to the information set out above regarding the associates of Lane, Foster mentioned that on one occasion at the Van Horn Inn, when Lane had apparently been partially under the influence of liquor, the latter had talked to him stating that he had a lock box containing approximately \$50,000.00 in the South Side Bank in Kansas City, Missouri. The South Side Bank is situated at 3838 Main Street in Kansas City, Missouri, where a thorough investigation was conducted by the writer to ascertain whether this statement of Lane was true.

On 3-8-35, Mr. A. H. Smith, Cashier; Mr. Ollie Blades, Teller, and Miss Bender, who is in charge of the Safety Deposit Box Vault, were interviewed at length by this Agent, and a thorough check made of all deposit box holders. During this search, the numerous aliases employed by Lane in the past were borne in mind, but the examination disclosed the fact that apparently Lane had meant some other bank, or had been deliberately lying.

A thorough check was made of all addresses given by box holders in the South Side Bank, in the event a record might be found of one residing at 4915 Troost Avenue, or in the vicinity. However, these inquiries also produced negative results.

Pictures of Lane and his associates, together with other people involved in this case, were exhibited to the above mentioned employees of the South Side Bank, but no identification could be effected.

Numerous keys recovered from the apartment formerly occupied by Lane at 4915 Troost were also shown to these employees, in the hope that identification of the safety deposit box key might be made. However, efforts in this respect were likewise unavailing.

By reference to the city directory and telephone book, it has been discovered that there is situated at 3040 Prospect Street, Kansas City, Missouri, the Southeast State Bank, which it is thought might possibly have been the bank referred to by Lane. Inasmuch as Foster stated that at the time the statement was made, Lane was obviously under the influence of liquor and was not speaking clearly, consequently, a thorough investigation will be conducted immediately at the latter bank for the purposes of obtaining any further information along these lines.

For a matter of record, it should also be noted that an additional associate of Lane is one George L. Good, known as "Slim" Good, who operates a beer tavern and hotel in connection therewith, at 6807 1/2 Independence Road, Kansas City, Missouri. As has been reported in the body of this report, this is the same address at which investigation was conducted in the early morning of February 23, 1935, by Special Agents L. S. Vandover and the writer in the company of Deputy Sheriffs Kelly and Byrne, in the Sheriff's office at Kansas City, Missouri, immediately after the apprehension of Lane.

In reference to the Southeast State Bank, situated at 3040 Prospect, Kansas City, Missouri, mentioned in the above memorandum, inquiries made by the writer at that place of Mr. Wechsler, Vice-President, revealed that "Spike" Lane had in the past transacted business there but had never carried an account of any kind nor owned a Safety Deposit Box. Mr. Wechsler stated that the only accommodations ever given to Lane were the cashing of numerous checks brought in by him, and only then when the said checks were payroll checks issued by either the Ford Plant or the Chevrolet Plant. It will be recalled that while operating the Three Little Pigs in Leeds, Lane catered to many of the employees of the Chevrolet plant, which was situated a short distance from the above tavern. Mr. Wechsler also added that he had been informed of the questionable character of Lane and his associates, two of whom he knew by name as Pickett and Ramsey. No further information regarding these individuals could be obtained from Mr. Wechsler, and it was definitely established by a close examination of all Safety Deposit Boxes by the writer, accompanied by Mr. Wechsler, that none of the keys found in Lane's possession were for any Safety Deposit Box at the Southeast State Bank. Photographs of all known associates of Lane's and other Subjects in this case were exhibited to Mr. Wechsler but no identification could be effected, other than the picture of Lane himself.

On March 15, 1935, Officer Phillips, of the Independence, Missouri Police Department, mentioned above, called by telephone and advised that his contact informed him that one D. L. Piggiot (possibly Pickett), who formerly tended bar at the Three Little Pigs, now reported to reside at

38th and Benton Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri, would undoubtedly be able to furnish information concerning one "Leo". Phillips' informant seemed to think Piggliot would be willing to give such information, stating, in addition, that the latter was reported to own a home at 3200 East 30th Street, Kansas City, Missouri. However, it is believed, according to the informant, that his place of residence at the present time is 3800 Benton. Immediate attention will be given to the above matter by this office.

On March 8, 1935, a request, by telegram, was made of the St. Louis Bureau Office to ascertain the personal history of the relatives, contacts and associates of Otto Jackson, mentioned above, as a close associate of Russell Lane. In this connection reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. S. Bush, dated at St. Louis, Missouri 3-12-35, in which is set out the fact that Otto Jackson is identical with Laskco Johnson, alias John Conway, who formerly resided in St. Louis, Missouri, and was an associate of Lloyd Doyle, subject of Identification Order number 1208. The report further narrates that Jack Mitchell is thought to be identical with Doyle, while the identity of one "Leo" was not established. Photographs of Doyle, Johnson, Ray Obern, Emil H. Hildebrandt and George Paul were transmitted to this office at that time.

The report further indicates that no information is available at the present time with reference to the present whereabouts of Johnson or Doyle.

Immediately upon receipt of the above information an investigation was conducted by Special Agents Bryce and Reed on 3-13-35 at various apartments in the vicinity of Armour and Troost, where, it will be noted by reference to matter contained earlier in the body of this report, Lane was apprehended on the evening of 2-22-35. The photographs of Lloyd Doyle, St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 25010; Laskco Johnson, alias Otto Jackson, St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 33942, Emil H. Hildebrandt, St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 9265, Ray Obern, St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 16578, George McDonald Paul, St. Louis, Missouri Police Department number 28871, Mrs. Vivian Chase, I.O. 1199 and Walter O'Malley, I.O. #1200 were exhibited to the Carter family at 4915 Troost, at which place Mr. Carter is the janitor and apartment manager. Both Mr. and Mrs. Carter identified the picture of Lloyd Doyle as the party known to them as Mitchell and the one who had rented Apartment 8. Picture of Laskco Johnson was also identified as the man who had last paid the rent at the apartment. No other identifications were positively made, although Mr. Carter stated he believed the photograph of Vivian Chase resembled the woman who was last seen with Jackson at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

On the same date the above mentioned photographs were displayed by Agents to Joe Forte, proprietor of 3437 Troost, which is a cafe. He simply said he knew "the fellow you boys picked up" but when asked his name said he did not know it. He finally admitted recognizing the pictures of Doyle and Jackson but said he had not seen them since the arrest of "Spike" Lane. He

signified his willingness to immediately notify the Kansas City Office if they again put in their appearance at his place.

The same procedure was followed at the Amidor Hotel, mentioned earlier in the body of this report, where these photographs were displayed to Mrs. E. E. Montgomery, who identified only the picture of Jackson.

In the neighborhood where the individual known as Mitchell was last seen by Bureau Agents the above photographs were displayed to the following apartment house managers without any identifications being made:

Mrs. A. W. Lake, 3424 Harrison;
Mrs. John Donovan, 3428 Harrison;
Mrs. Guthrie, 3425 Harrison;
Mrs. Grace Hillis, 916 East Armour;
Mrs. Cormat, Assistant Manager, Bainbridge Apartments,
912 East Armour;
Mrs. Gladys Hein, Senate Apartments, 1015 E. Armour;
Mrs. Ada Hines, 3401 Harrison
Mr. H. J. Simmons, Wrenwood Apartments, Armour & Harrison.

At 918 East Armour, Mr. and Mrs. Hinde were shown the above photographs and stated that they believed the photograph of Doyle resembled a man who had been visiting two women living in Apartment 36 at that address. These women were going under the names of Miss Treva Webb and Miss Hallie Deganette, both being about 30 years of age. Miss Webb, according to the manager, appeared to be working every day but the other woman was often absent for several days, and at other times would simply remain around the apartment. The rent has always been paid promptly in advance. No further information as to the two women was obtainable due to the fact that no references were required of tenants in the building at the time they secured the apartment. Mrs. Hinde further stated she understood from conversation had with Miss Webb that the latter's brother ran a chicken barbecue farm somewhere near the outskirts of Kansas City.

In identification of the photograph of Doyle both Mr. and Mrs. Hinde were almost positive that he was the man who had been visiting these two girls during the past several months. Mrs. Hinde had observed him in their apartment on occasions around the first of the month when she would go to collect the light bill. She had also seen him come in frequently of an evening, almost invariably around 7 P.M., stating that she thought he had come in almost every other day. He had never been seen to come in with any of the girls or go out with any of them, but generally stopped in the hallway and rang the bell to this apartment before going upstairs. Furthermore, Mrs. Hinde stated that he seemed to be very alert, glancing around quickly every time she opened her doorway into the hall and always had one hand in his pocket. She described him as being quite short, about 35 years of age, and of swarthy complexion. On one occasion, during cold weather, she had seen him in the

lobby with a very elderly woman, who appeared to be very cold and whom he invited inside the door until a taxi, which had been called, arrived. Mrs. Hinde was told that this old lady was the man's mother. She stated that the woman spoke English very brokenly and gave the impression that she was of Italian extraction.

Later the same day, namely March 14, 1935, about 5:45 P.M., Agents Heavrin and Reed, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, were allowed by Mrs. Hinde to use her front room to observe any person entering in an effort to look at this man. About 8 P.M. it was decided that he had already effected entry if he had come in; accordingly, Mrs. Hinde went to Apartment 36 to report a telephone call to the occupants which had been placed by Agent Heavrin as a ruse, at which time Mrs. Hinde ascertained that this man was already in the apartment with Miss Dagonett, Miss Webb not being present. Mrs. Hinde stated she had an opportunity to take a good look at this man and reiterated positively, when again shown a picture of Doyle, that he was the person then in Apartment 36.

The above facts were telephonically furnished Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan by Agent Reed, and instructions were received not to attempt to apprehend this man until Agent Bryce, who was then engaged on a plant in another spot in Kansas City looking towards the apprehension of Volney Davis, had an opportunity to observe this man and to see if it was the same individual he had seen in a beer joint on Troost Avenue, the night of Lane's apprehension, which was 2-22-35. It is also noted that Agent Bryce has also identified the photograph of Doyle as being that of the person seen by him on the above date, and who is believed to be identical with the person known as Mitchell.

Further inquiries concerning the above apartment were made the following evening by Special Agents H. E. Andersen and D. A. Bryce, of the Kansas City Bureau Office, in the hope of obtaining a glimpse of the man visiting the above mentioned two girls but the same could not be done, no one putting in an appearance.

Subsequently, contact was made with the apartment house manager by Special Agent Reed, of this office, the latter having left photographs with Mrs. Hinde for the purpose of showing the same to the colored janitor. She stated, upon interview with Agent Reed, in addition to her identification of Doyle's photograph the same had also been identified by the colored janitor. However, in checking on this information later Agent Reed found that this report was not true, inasmuch as the colored janitor picked out an entirely different photograph, one having no bearing on this case, as the person he thought was visiting the girls in the apartment. At this time, both from the faulty identifications made and the actions and demeanor of the managers at the above hotel, it is thought that not much credence can be placed in the stories obtained at the above apartment. The attitude of the apartment house managers suggests that they are desirous of being amateur detectives, and for this reason it does not appear probable that the person visiting the two girls is Lloyd Doyle.

However, further investigation along these lines will be conducted so as to remove all doubt.

Concerning the description obtained from the above people of this man, reference should be had to page 85 of the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Missouri, dated 2-21-35, wherein is set out the description of the person known as Mitchell who resided at Apartment 8, 4915 Troost, Kansas City, Missouri. It will be noted that there is a strong similarity in the description of both men.

In response to a letter from the Kansas City Bureau Office to the St. Paul Office under date of March 6, 1935, enclosing photographs of Russell "Spike" Lane, with aliases; Otto Jackson, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department number 22596 and Everett Leroy Pendleton, Kansas City Police Department Number 21005, this office is in receipt of a letter from the St. Paul Office under date of March 14, 1935, advising that during the afternoon of March 14, 1935, the photographs of the above mentioned individuals, together with that of Lloyd Doyle, with aliases, I.O. 1208, were exhibited to Jess Doyle in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. After viewing these photographs very carefully Doyle stated they were not the pictures of any person known to him, and that he was positive not one of them was the photograph of the person known as "Leo", who was a friend of Volney Davis. As he had previously indicated in statements made to the writer and Special Agent John L. Madala, at the Wyandotte County, Kansas jail, during the time he was incarcerated there, he again remarked that he only saw this Leo on one occasion in Volney Davis' apartment. Further reference to the above letter will show that Doyle expressed his willingness to cooperate with the Bureau, and in the event the photograph of "Leo" was secured and exhibited to him he would identify it if he possibly could. He further is of the opinion that he will be able to recognize Leo's picture if the same can be procured.

At this point it will be noted for matter of record that Jess Doyle and Edna Murray were removed to St. Paul, Minnesota in the custody of the United States Marshal on 2-16-35. Original signed statements and waivers of removal of Davis, Doyle and Edna Murray were forwarded to the appropriate Field Offices on 2-21-35.

It will also be noted at this time that subsequent investigation in connection with Russell "Spike" Lane and John Doe, alias Richard Roe, alias Leo will be duly reported in the file entitled "RUSSELL 'SPIKE' LANE with aliases; JOHN DOE alias Richard Roe alias Leo - HARBORING", which file is being opened by this office.

Further reference is made to report of this Agent dated at Kansas City, Missouri, dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, particularly on Page 6, wherein the facts surrounding the apprehension of Doris O'Connor, alias Mrs. Vinita Stacey by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on 2-5-35, are set out. Since that time this woman has been incarcerated in the Jackson County

Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, on State charges of Assault with intent to commit murder on the person of Frances Taylor, alias Mrs. Rush, the woman companion of Jack Langdon, also mentioned in the report of reference as a possible associate of Volney Davis. On March 7, 1935, this office was informed by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly, of the Sheriff's Office, Kansas City, Missouri, that strenuous efforts were being employed to obtain Doris O'Connor's liberty on bond. Accordingly, the facts surrounding her past association with Jess Doyle, and particularly to that time subsequent to the return of the indictment against Doyle and others in St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 22, 1935, were placed before the United States Attorney, at Kansas City, Missouri, and authorization for the filing of a complaint charging violation of Section 246, Title 18, U.S.C. (Harboring Jess Doyle) was obtained. On 3-8-35 Doris O'Connor was arraigned before United States Commissioner Thompson, Kansas City, Missouri, on the above complaint, at which time she entered a plea of Not Guilty and her bond was set at \$7500.00. Hearing in this case is set for 3-22-35, and she is presently incarcerated at the Jackson County Jail in default of bond. Numerous attempts have been made prior to this date to elicit information from her regarding her past activities and associations with Subjects involved in this case but she has remained adamant in her refusal to give the same. As in the case of Russell "Spike" Lane, et al, a separate file is being opened at this time by this office entitled "DORIS O'CONNOR with aliases - Harboring".

In this connection, attention is directed to the report of this Agent dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, on page 81 and succeeding pages, wherein facts relative to the activities of Preston Paden, the son of Edna Murray, and Earl Stuchlik, the former husband of Doris O'Connor are set out. It will be noted, by reference to the above report, as well as to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-2-35, that Preston Paden is the present owner of a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Missouri tags 37-618. On the early morning of February 25, 1935, the above car was seen parked in a parking lot on the East side of Broadway between 12th and 13th in Kansas City, Missouri, by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney and the writer. Surveillance was maintained by Agents of this office over this car from the early morning of 2-25-35 until approximately noon 2-27-35, at which time Earl Stuchlik entered the car and drove around the streets of Kansas City. He gave the impression of endeavoring to confuse anyone who might be following him and consequently, after proceeding some distance, he was stopped by the writer and Special Agent M. Kremer, and accompanied them to this office for questioning.

Stuchlik denied possessing any information concerning Volney Davis, claiming not to have seen him since the year 1927, although he admitted he had seen Jess Doyle and Doris O'Connor in McPherson, Kansas during November, 1934. He stated that he had been at the Missouri Hotel, which is situated on 12th Street, between Central Avenue and Broadway, in Kansas City, Missouri, for about three days, accompanied by Preston Paden, and that they had been on a drunk with some girls. It should be pointed out at this time that on the

occasion the above car was first observed, inquiries were made by the writer at various hotels in the vicinity of 12th and Broadway with the result that at the Missouri Hotel it was found that there was a registration under the name of "E. Stewart", which name was known by the writer to be an alias used by Stuchlik, as will be noted by reference to the report of this Agent dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-2-35.

Stuchlik stated that Paden had been away from the hotel since the preceding day but was expected to return on February 27, 1935, and that he and Paden had planned to proceed to Topeka, Kansas on that date.

A thorough search was made of the Chevrolet car by Special Agents Andersen and Farland of this office, which search disclosed a flashlight which had been taped over the lens with a very small opening, and which was apparently so prepared for use as a burglar's implement. There was also found beneath the seat of the coupe a beer bottle which contained a very small quantity of fluid which appeared to be nitro glycerine. This bottle was removed from the car, taken to a safe place, and there exploded by firing a bullet from a .38 caliber super automatic pistol into the bottle. This operation was handled by Agent Andersen and the writer, it being noted that when the bottle was struck there was a puff of smoke arising from it, indicating that the contents of the bottle had been nitro glycerine.

After thoroughly questioning Stuchlik it appeared undesirable to release him and the Sheriff's Office in Kansas City, Missouri was contacted, and desired to hold Stuchlik on a charge of possession of burglar's implements. At that time it was thought that there was a possibility that an identification of Stuchlik might be made in connection with recent safecracking jobs in Kansas City, Kansas and vicinity.

In an effort to locate Paden in order that he might be questioned in this matter, Agents of the Kansas City Bureau Office were continuously stationed in the rooms occupied by him and Stuchlik in the Missouri Hotel from the afternoon of 2-27-35 until the morning of 3-1-35. During that time he did not return to his room, it being thought at the present time that immediately upon the notice appearing in the press concerning the apprehension of Stuchlik and the discovery of what appeared to be nitro glycerine in the Chevrolet Car, that he took his departure from Kansas City so as to prevent his arrest. Stuchlik and Paden, who had registered under the name of Leroy Parks, had checked out of the hotel but had not removed their baggage. During part of the time the Agents were in the Missouri Hotel they were accompanied by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly. This procedure appeared desirable in view of the fact there was no Federal charge against Paden, and that there was the possibility that he might create some disturbance should he return to the room.

In addition to the articles mentioned above found in the Chevrolet car, there was also discovered an exploded shell, apparently from a .32 caliber automatic pistol. The same is being transmitted to the Bureau for purposes of analysis, it being noted that a comparison with the two .32 caliber automatics

recovered from Edna Murray and Volney Davis might be productive of information of value.

Prior to the removal of Stuchlik to the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, a thorough check of all property in his possession was made by Bureau Agents and the serial numbers of all bills in his possession taken. Upon comparison with the bills listed in the cases on file where ransom money was paid, it was found that the same were not a part thereof.

It will also be noted here that the bills found in the possession of Russell Lane at the time of his apprehension were not part of any of the money paid as ransom in any of the cases on file in this office.

Shortly after his incarceration in the Jackson County Jail, Stuchlik was removed to the Wyandotte County Jail in Kansas City, Kansas, at the request of Probation Officer Lindsey, Kansas City, Kansas, inasmuch as Stuchlik at the present time is under a five year probationary sentence for counterfeiting, having been sentenced at Topeka, Kansas. At that time he was convicted on two counts, he being sentenced on the first count to spend six months in the Shawnee County Jail, Topeka, Kansas, which sentence he served. By contact with Probation Officer Lindsey, it has been ascertained that within the next week or two Stuchlik will be brought before Federal Judge Hopkins so that the question of whether or not his probation will be revoked will be passed upon. In the meantime numerous attempts are being made to elicit further information from Stuchlik concerning his past association with Subjects in this case, it being thought that in many respects he has not told the truth to Agents of this office. It is also deemed possible at this time that in the event the probation of Stuchlik is not revoked he may be of some assistance in the role of informant. This question has been discreetly brought to his attention and he has promised to immediately get in touch with Preston Paden so that Agents of this office may quickly contact and question the latter. He stated that if he were released he would immediately go back to McPherson, Kansas, where, prior to his arrest and up until January 2, 1935, he and his brother, Vern Stuchlik, together with Preston Paden, had been operating a beer tavern a short distance South of McPherson, Kansas, on Highway 81. Further investigation regarding Stuchlik and the possible benefits which might be obtained from employing him as an informant will be duly reported.

A check of the telephone calls and telegraphic communications at the Missouri Hotel during the time Stuchlik and Paden were staying there has revealed that on 2-23-35 two wires were sent, charged to Room 308, which was the room occupied by Paden and Stuchlik. They were both sent by Hugh Larimer, Stuchlik's attorney, who was at the Missouri Hotel for a day or two. One was sent to his wife, Ruth Larimer, Topeka, Kansas, and the other to Mr. Collins, in Topeka, but no information of value could be obtained therefrom.

On 2-22-35 a check of the telephone records revealed Stuchlik had called Hugh Larimer of Topeka, 2-6486, the charges being 75¢.

A description of EARL STUCHLIK, alias E. Stewart, is as follows:

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| AGE | 40 |
| HEIGHT | 5'7 1/2" |
| WEIGHT | 150 lbs. |
| COMPLEXION | Medium |
| EYES | Dark Chestnut |
| HAIR | Brown (sandy) |
| F.P.C. | 9 ROI 9 4 M |

With respect to Hugh Larimer, the attorney representing Stuchlik, it should be noted that the same man is also the attorney retained by Harry and Mary Stanley, against whom complaints charging the Harboring of Volney Davis and Edna Murray have been filed, as will be noted by reference to report of this Agent dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35.

On March 19, 1935, Larimer appeared at the Kansas City Bureau Office and discussed in general the status of the case against his clients, Harry and Mary Stanley, and also Earl Stuchlik. During the course of the conversation he mentioned contacts of the Stanleys as Jack Rich and Leo Harris, alias Clyde Glovers of Kansas City. Rich, he said, was an exconvict from the Leavenworth Penitentiary, while Leo Harris was a bootlegger and gambler. It has occurred to this office that Leo Harris may be identical with the individual known as "Leo", whom this office has been attempting to locate. Accordingly, inquiries with reference to this person will be made as quickly as possible.

The 1933 Chevrolet Coupe recovered from the possession of Earl Stuchlik at the time of his apprehension is now in possession of Sheriff Thomas B. Bash, Kansas City, Missouri, as well as the following items recovered from Room 308 at the Missouri Hotel, which might possibly be productive of subsequent information in regard to both Stuchlik and Paden:

50¢ in a roll of pennies;
\$5.00 in rolls of dimes;
\$3.00 in rolls of nickels.

This office is in the possession of a receipt signed by Sheriff Thomas B. Bash, by Roy L. Fisher, Deputy, under date of March 1, 1935, for the above property.

Regarding investigation conducted by this office in respect to Harry and Mary Stanley, it should be noted they are at the present time incarcerated in the County Jail at Wichita, Kansas, awaiting trial at the next term of court. Regarding these Subjects reference should be had to the file entitled "HARRY C. STANLEY - MARY STANLEY - HARBORING".

In regard to information supplied the Kansas City Office concerning the possible presence in this district of Harry Sawyer, Myrtle Eaton and Alvin Karpis, investigation along these lines has been conducted by Special Agents L. S. Vandover, R. G. Reed and the writer.

On February 14, 1935, while Special Agent L. S. Vandover was at Excelsior Springs, Missouri on other matters, Dr. H. D. Poe, of the Reserve Police Corps, advised that Francis Parl, Manager of the Francis Hotel, had reported the following incident to him on the same date:

About 6 P.M. on February 9, 1935, a party registered at the hotel under the name of George Kapanistos and was described as follows by the manager of the hotel:

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| AGE | 40 to 45 |
| HEIGHT | 5'8" |
| WEIGHT | 175 to 180 |
| COMPLEXION | Medium |
| | Pleasant manner; |
| | Well dressed, wearing gray felt hat, |
| | carrying heavy grip and brief case. |

This party engaged a single room and it so happened the room had a closet which extended clear through to the connecting room. The roomer discovered that this closet had no lock on it and asked the manager to put a lock on the closet, stating he wished absolute privacy. Dr. Poe advised that this party stated to the manager he was expecting a Western Union telegram, and on February 15, 1935, a telegram came to the party, collect. The delivery boy reported to the manager that the telegram stated "Lay low, all has not blown over yet and may not". Dr. Poe was of the opinion that this individual greatly resembled Harry Sawyer wanted in instant case.

At the local Western Union Office at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, Agent checked the records and found a telegram was sent from Galveston, Texas to George Kapanistos, Francis Hotel, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, as follows:

"TIMES ARE HARD PLAY SAFE HAVEN'T ANY IDEA WHEN BETTER

/s/ Chris Safos

Agent then waited in the lobby of the hotel until this party left his room at about 6 P.M. on the same date. Agent was in a position to get a good look at this party and it was definitely determined by Agent that he was not Harry Sawyer.

On 2-18-35 Special Agent W. E. Miller, of the Kansas City Office, received a telephone call from Dr. Poe at Excelsior Springs, Missouri that this party was proceeding by bus to Kansas City, Missouri and that he was positive that this individual was Harry Sawyer. Special Agents L. S. Vandover, W. B. O'Mahoney, R. P. Shanahan and H. A. Dietz, took this party into custody and brought him to the Kansas City Bureau Office and there he stated his name

was George Kapanistos, of the Gem Restaurant, 2608 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and that he resides at the Troost Arms Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.

Agents questioned George Kapanistos about the telegram that was received by him from Galveston, Texas and he advised that he had previously wired Chris Safos, of Galveston, Texas, as to whether it would be advisable to open a restaurant in Galveston and that he received an answer advising that conditions were bad and it was not advisable to open a restaurant at the present time.

Agents then checked the telephone and city directories and definitely ascertained this party resides at the Troost Arms Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri, and is perfectly legitimate. He was therefore released.

On 2-28-35 the Kansas City Division office received a letter from Karl O. Ranney, Postmaster at Osawatomie, Kansas, advising that he had in mind a woman in Osawatomie, Kansas, who had been living there under the name of Myrtle King, who resembled the photograph of Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, I.O. #1241. In this letter he stated that Myrtle King came to Osawatomie, Kansas, some time during the fall or early winter of 1933; that she had two children, a girl and a boy approximately ten and twelve years of age, and when she first arrived in town she rented a post office lock box for a short time but later got all mail through general delivery, never calling for it herself but invariably sending the little girl for it.

Special Agent R. G. Reed contacted Mr. Ranney at Osawatomie, Kansas, on the same date relative to the above information. Mr. Ranney stated that he had not personally seen Myrtle King but that his clerk, N. S. Cowden, was the person who had observed the resemblance between the photograph of Myrtle Eaton and Myrtle King of Osawatomie. Mr. Ranney stated that he had not observed where mail for Myrtle King originated from. The records of the post office were examined which indicated that box #333 was rented by Myrtle King on 12-1-33 and that the rent was paid to 3-31-34. The records disclosed no further information.

N. S. Cowden, clerk, was interviewed and several photographs of Myrtle Eaton displayed to him but he was unable to identify any of them as being the same as Myrtle King of Osawatomie. He stated that he had not seen Myrtle King since she had first rented the lock box above referred to. He stated that she was living with a man named Lee Henning, who has a brother, C. A. Henning, 1147 South 4th Street, Osawatomie, Kansas, the latter having lived all his life at Osawatomie, Kansas, and who has been employed for years in the Missouri Pacific shops at Osawatomie, Kansas. He stated that Lee Henning was employed by the City Relief Administration. He had no further information indicating the whereabouts of Myrtle King during the past year and a half other than he presumes she was living at home with Lee Henning during this period of time. He advised that Lee Henning and Myrtle King lived in a house owned by W. S. Atkinson, proprietor of the Atkinson and Grizzell Meat Market and Grocery Store, Osawatomie, Kansas.

W. S. Atkinson was contacted and advised that Lee Henning and a woman whom he presumes to be his wife rented a house from him at 305 North 4th Street approximately two months before. He stated he had no information concerning Lee Henning other than that he was employed by the City Relief Administration and when not so employed chopped wood for a living and that he seemed to be a hard working man; that no complaint had come to him from the neighbors relative to the conduct of Lee Henning and Myrtle King; that he lived in another part of town and did not know whether they had

any visitors. He was shown a snapshot of Myrtle Eaton which he positively identified as being the wife of Lee Henning. He also advised that this woman had two children, a boy and a girl, ages about thirteen and fourteen, but he was unable to furnish any further information as to the residence of Henning and the latter's presumed wife at Osawatomie.

Bert Demastus, Chief of Police, was interviewed at which time he stated that Henning was unknown to him except by sight although he understood that he was a brother of C. A. Henning, a Missouri Pacific employee; that C. A. Henning had a very good reputation and had lived at Osawatomie, Kansas, practically all of his life but that he understood Lee Henning came from some place in Kansas and that his supposed wife also was a Kansas girl. He advised that Henning and the latter's supposed wife had never caused any trouble, never associated with the underworld element of Osawatomie, Kansas, and so far as he knew had never had any visitor of that kind; that they own a Model T Ford Coupe; that Henning and his wife apparently are steady people, Henning working for the Relief Administration, also chopping wood and his wife taking in washings.

Don Pipper, 307 North 4th Street, Osawatomie, Kansas, next door neighbor of Lee Henning and Myrtle King, was contacted and advised that Lee Henning and the latter's presumed wife had lived next door to him for about three months; that they appeared to be a hard working couple and had difficulty in making both ends meet; that they appeared to live very frugally and that Henning's supposed wife was very shabbily dressed, took in washings, etc. He stated that he understood that Lee Henning and this woman came from some place in Kansas; that they had been in Osawatomie, Kansas, for about a year. He stated that the two children were named Earl King and Lela King, ages fifteen and thirteen years respectively, and that Earl King attended high school and Lela King attended junior high school. He stated that he had never seen Henning or his woman go anywhere except to work, and that they apparently had no visitors except other relief workers in Osawatomie, Kansas. He was shown all available photographs of Myrtle Eaton and he stated although there was a resemblance, the supposed wife of Lee Henning was not the same person as Myrtle Eaton.

The above facts were telephonically furnished Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and he suggested that, if possible, the fingerprints be obtained from Myrtle King of Osawatomie, Kansas, in order to definitely establish whether or not she might be Myrtle Eaton. Accordingly, Agent again contacted Bert Demastus, Chief of Police, and necessary arrangements were made to interview Myrtle King and she was interviewed at her home in the presence of Lee Henning at which time she willingly allowed her fingerprints to be taken. These prints were classified as follows:

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A comparison with the fingerprints of Myrtle Eaton as shown on I.O. #1241 indicates that the fingerprints of Myrtle King are entirely different from the fingerprints of Myrtle Eaton.

Agent noted there was a slight resemblance between Myrtle King and photographs of Myrtle Eaton but it was very slight. Myrtle King advised that she has been living with Lee Henning since she separated from her husband and that her maiden name was Myrtle Sherer; that she was born in Kelly, Kansas, and has been living at Corning, Kansas. Her description is as follows:

Name - Mrs. Myrtle King, nee Myrtle Sherer

Age - 37 years

Weight - 117 pounds

Height - 5 feet 4 inches

Weight - 126 pounds

Build - medium

Hair - brown

Eyes - gray

Complexion - medium

Criminal record - claims none

The fingerprint record of Myrtle King is being retained in the Kansas City file for further reference.

Lee Henning advised that he has lived all of his life in Washington, Kansas, until the past year and a half when he moved to Osawatomie, Kansas, in order to seek help from his brother, C. A. Henning; that he has known Myrtle King since she was a small girl and that when she appealed to him for help he opened his home to her and her two children and she has been living with him for the past year and a half.

The following investigation was conducted by the writer at the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department on March 3, 4 and 5, 1935:

Detective Frank Hanna of the Auto Theft Bureau of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, was interviewed on the above dates by the writer, in response to information received from him on March 3, 1935, to the effect that he had picked up one Lawrence Rankle, at 11th and Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, in possession of a 1932 Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Missouri License 383 527. At the time these facts were transmitted to this office, Hanna had also advised that he thought the car was a stolen automobile, and that Rankle had been reported to have bragged considerably of late that he was an associate of Alvin Karpis. On March 3, 1935, Hanna also stated that Rankle was known as a Kansas City character, and that information had also come into the detective's hands to the effect that Rankle had recently been reported to possess approximately \$23,000 in currency on his person.

Contact with Detective Hanna disclosed that most of the detective's information had come from Mr. Beckerdite of the Hazlett-Beckerdite Used Car Agency, situated at 15th and Brooklyn, Kansas City, Missouri, who had stated to Officer Hanna that on numerous occasions, Rankle, sometimes accompanied by another person, description not known, had appeared at his place of business and had been in the possession of quite a large amount of money. In addition, Hanna offered the information that it was thought that recently Rankle had been seen in the possession of a 1932 Chevrolet Coupe, which had borne on different occasions three different license numbers, namely:

1935 Missouri License 383527
1935 Nebraska License 6-5041
1934 Kansas License 1-10350.

Information has been received from the Motor Vehicle Department of the office of the Secretary of State at Lincoln, Nebraska, in response to inquiries made by the Auto Theft Bureau of Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, that the above described Nebraska tag had been issued to one Carl Tarnholm of Wahoo, Nebraska, on a 1932 Chevrolet Roadster, Motor Number 3-092,858. No record of any theft of this car had been received in Wahoo, and further inquiries indicated that possibly the above described license plates had been seen on a car other than the one reported to be in the possession of Rankle. Further inquiries also disclosed the fact that the Missouri and Kansas tags above mentioned were rightfully in his possession at the time.

Further investigation was conducted at the Used Car Agency at 15th and Brooklyn Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, where Mr. Beckerdite, upon interview, stated that no specific facts were in his possession concerning Rankle, except that vague rumors had come to him that he possessed as high as a thousand dollars on one or two occasions, and that he once had seen Rankle carrying two automatics, both in shoulder holsters. When asked as to any other pertinent information which might connect Rankle with Subjects involved in the instant case, Beckerdite had no information to offer, and could not even disclose any facts which might indicate that Rankle had committed any offenses other than, of course, that of carrying concealed weapons. He promised, however, to instantly convey any further information he might receive to this office, so that appropriate attention might be given to the same. Identification Orders of Subjects in this case were given to him, and it is thought that cooperation can be expected in that quarter.

Rankle himself was interviewed on the following day by the writer and stated that he resided at 480 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and was employed in his step-father's grocery store at 482 Walnut Street, his step-father's name being D. Landau. He admitted having been in trouble before, but stated that he had never been convicted of any crime, and that when the facts had been disclosed on the occasions of his former arrests, he was immediately dismissed. He added that on 2-5-35, he had reported his Chevrolet car as stolen, which car at that time bore 1934 Kansas License Plates #1-10350. In explanation of the Kansas tags, he stated that he had purchased the car from the Plymouth people in Kansas City, Kansas, situated on Minnesota Avenue, for \$225.00, in the latter part of 1934 and had simply left the 1934 tags (Kansas) thereon. However, on the night that the alleged theft of his car was reported, he had entered into a mock marriage ceremony with one Peggy Young, apparently a prostitute working in the neighborhood of 12th and Cherry Streets in Kansas City, a girl whom he had run into the same evening, he being under the influence of liquor. He stated that when he awoke, the car was gone and not having given permission to anyone to take it, he had reported the car as stolen and subsequently discovered that she had simply taken the car, at which time the report of the theft of same was revoked. From information at the Police Department, Auto Theft Bureau, Kansas City, Mo., it is thought that little credence can be placed in the story of Rankle, altho no facts were on hand to connect him in any way with the individuals in this case. Rankle himself stated that he did recognize the name of Alvin Karpis and categorically denied that he had ever carried a gun or was ever in the possession of a great amount of money. His record as revealed by the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department discloses that

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Rankle's description as obtained from the Identification Bureau of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department is as follows:

25 years old
5 ft. 8 in. tall
135 to 140 pounds
blue eyes
medium complexion
brown hair
Marital status - married - wife's name, Sarah Levine
3255 Oak Street; living
with her parents.

Fingerprint Classification: $\frac{1}{1} \frac{a}{a} \frac{4}{4} \frac{3}{3}$

From the information obtained from Officer Hanna of the Auto Theft Bureau and from Mr. Beckerdite of the Hazlett-Beckerdite Motor Agency, it is thought that no information can presently be obtained in regard to Rankle as far as any connection with the members of the Karpis-Barker gang is concerned. However, in further investigation to be conducted by this office in this case, the possibility of Rankle's being a contact for people wanted by this Bureau will be borne in mind.

For matter of record, investigation conducted by Special Agent A. E. Farland, of the Kansas City Bureau Office on 2-6-35, relative to the apprehension of Doris O'Connor by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on a charge of assaulting with intent to commit murder on the person of Frances Taylor, alias Mrs. Rush, the same is being set out in this report.

Likewise, for the same purpose, the result of the investigation conducted at Parsons, Kansas, by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, on February 26-1935, relative to receipt for one Safety Deposit Box number 130, under the name of F. W. Wilson, at the Parsons Safety Deposit Vault, Parsons, Kansas, which has been mentioned earlier in the body of this report, is also being set out in this report, as follows:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent
A. E. Farland:

On the morning of Wednesday, 2-6-35, the Kansas City, Missouri, morning papers published an article to the effect that a woman giving the name of Mrs. Helen Rush, 3411 Gillham Road, Kansas City, Missouri, had been brought to the St. Joseph's Hospital about 4:30 P.M., 2-5-35 in a taxi driven by one E. J. McDaniel, who gave his address as the Troost Arms, Apartment 322. This woman had been very badly shot by a woman who was later apprehended and who gave her name as Mrs. Vinita Stacey. Mrs. Stacey was later brought to the Police Station.

Upon reading this article Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan stated that the picture resembled some one wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Agent called at the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department and ascertained that Mrs. Stacey was being held, but up to that time her fingerprints had not been taken. The files of the Kansas City Bureau office were examined and the photograph of Doris O'Connor, together with fingerprints, was taken to the Police Department for examination. The fingerprints of the party giving the name of Vinita Stacey were immediately taken and compared with the fingerprints taken from Kansas City file 7-37, serial 1103, and found to be the same. Vinita Stacey at first denied that she was the same party but later admitted to Agent that she was Doris O'Connor and that photograph #6993 in the Kansas City Bureau file was a photograph taken of her by the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department a number of years ago. She was again photographed and copies of her photograph taken by the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, #22790, together with one copy of her fingerprints, were furnished Agent and have been placed in the Kansas City file. Vinita Stacey refused to make any statement as to the cause of her shooting Mrs. Helen Rush.

Accompanied by Lieutenant Gordon, in charge of the Fingerprint Bureau of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, Agent called at the St. Joseph's Hospital and interviewed the party giving the name of Helen Rush and her fingerprints were taken. Upon taking her fingerprints she admitted that she had been apprehended by the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department in 1933, being charged with extortion; that she gave the name at that time of Frances Taylor; that she had been arrested with one Delores Ballard, believed to be her sister, and an ex-convict named John M. Langdon, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department #18176. She was questioned as to who had shot her and would not make any statement.

In the office of the St. Joseph's Hospital their records reflect that Helen Rush, 3411 Gillham Road, age 36 years, had been received in the emergency ward at 4:30 P.M., 2-5-35, having been brought there in a taxicab.

Dr. E. T. Johnson, who attended Helen Rush, stated that she told him her name was Helen Langdon; that she had been shot by a woman at 3411 Gillham Road and that she lived at 3411 Gillham Road; that he found a .380 caliber bullet on the cot where she was laid out in the operating room. This bullet was handed to Lieutenant Gordon of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department.

Dr. S. C. Casebolt of the hospital staff, who was attending Helen Rush at that time, stated that her condition was very grave; that she had been shot in the abdomen and that she had a fifty-fifty chance to recover.

At the hospital, while Agent was there, Mrs. B. Coffman called there to visit Helen Rush. She stated that she was her mother and that she resided at 119 Lafayette Hotel; that she was employed at the Country Club Laundry and had been for the past seven years; that her daughter she believed was married to a man by the name of John Rush; that on the night of 2-5-35 she received a phone call from a man, who gave no name, and he told her that she had better go to the St. Joseph's Hospital; that her daughter had been shot four or five times and he then hung up.

At the Police Department the copy of the fingerprints of Frances Taulor were handed this Agent and they have been placed in the Kansas City file.

Agent returned to this office and shortly afterwards it was ascertained that Doris O'Connor had been living with Jess Doyle, a subject in the Bremer case. Shortly after Agent's arrival at the office Agents of the Kansas City Bureau office brought Volney Davis, subject in the Bremer case, to this office. He was immediately taken to the office of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Nathan where he was handcuffed by this Agent and later searched. \$1,143.40 was taken from his person, this money being in one hundred dollar bills, fifty dollar bills, tens, fives, ones and some small silver which was checked by this Agent and Special Agent W. E. Miller, the serial numbers being taken. An automatic pistol was also taken which was placed in the files of this office. During the time that Volney Davis was held in this office Agent questioned him. He appeared to be willing to answer any question. He was asked where he had obtained the money that he had on his person, \$1,050.00 of it being taken from a zipper belt that he wore, and he stated that he had stolen it. He stated that he expected to be taken back to McAlester, Oklahoma, penitentiary where he had been sentenced to life imprisonment for murder; that he had escaped at one time, was apprehended in Kansas City, Missouri, about thirteen days after his escape and returned; that upon his return he was placed in solitary confinement where he was kept for over six years, this under the warden who is now in charge of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. He stated that he had intended to leave that morning for the Coolidge Dam in the

State of Washington; that he intended to get himself a girl and go up there and hide out as he understood that was a good place to go at this time. He informed Agent that he had been in Kansas City, Missouri, since before Christmas, 1934; that he had send a number of Christmas cards out which he had addressed in Kansas City, Missouri, but that he had got into his car and driven to Chicago where he had mailed them. He stated that he had recently mailed a letter to his mother at Neosho, Missouri, writing the letter in Kansas City, Missouri, and that he had driven his car to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he had the letter mailed. He stated that some time ago he made a trip to Neosho, Missouri, at the request of "Doc" Barker and that he had handed "Doc" Barker's father, George Barker \$500.00, money given him by "Doc" Barker. He stated that he had been in several jobs in the vicinity of Kansas City, Missouri, with Jess Doyle but would furnish no information as to what jobs they had pulled off. About 3:00 P.M. the same date, 2-6-35, Agent accompanied Special Agent in Charge Nathan, Agent Trainor and Agent Stakem to the Kansas City, Missouri, airport with Davis where Agent Trainor and Agent Stakem boarded an airplane with Davis for Chicago.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent

L. S. Vandover.

On 2-26-35 C. B. Peacock and J. P. Porter, of the Hercules Powder Company removed approximately slightly over one pint of nitro-glycerine from 4915 Troost Avenue, Apartment 8, Kansas City, Missouri. The following receipt was found by this Agent behind one of the bottles of nitro-glycerine in the pantry under the sink at this address:

PARSONS SAFETY DEPOSIT VAULT
1804 Broadway
Parsons, Kansas.

Parsons, Kansas, Jan. 8, 1935

Received from F. W. Wilson
One 50/100 Dollars, for Rent of Box No. 130 in the PARSONS
SAFETY DEPOSIT VAULT
From 1-8-1935 to 1-8-1936.

\$1.50 plus 15% Rev. Tax.

/s/ K. Lonberger

Manager.

It should be noted here that this receipt was not found prior to the removal of the nitro-glycerine because the same was concealed behind a bottle of nitro-glycerine and these bottles were not handled by any Agents of the Kansas City Office.

On the same night Agent Vandover immediately proceeded to Parsons, Kansas and on the morning of 2-27-35 contacted Katherine Lonberger, the manager of the Parsons Safety Deposit Vault, 1804 Broadway, Parsons, Kansas, and she advised that on 2-17-35 the vault was broken into and Safety Deposit Box number 130 in the south section was entered, along with approximately 45 other Safety Deposit Boxes. She advised that the handwriting on the receipt is her handwriting but she could not remember anyone by the name of F. W. Wilson.

She also stated that during the robbery of the Parsons Safety Deposit Vault the ledger book was taken by the robbers and therefore she could not give any information whether this box had been entered since the time it was rented on 1-8-35.

Agent Vandover was then advised that the key to box 130 has number 119 on it. It should be noted that Katherine Lonberger is 70 years of age and no accurate information could be obtained from her. However, Agent personally examined the vault and definitely ascertained that box number 130 had been broken into along with numerous other boxes.

Agent then contacted Earl W. Johnson, Chief of Police, Parsons, Kansas, and he stated that the modus operandi used by the robbers on the night of February 17, 1935, has all the resemblance of a local job. He stated that the robbers used the key which was hidden behind the piano to enter the vault. He also stated that entry into the building was made through a barber shop directly opposite the Safety Deposit Vaults. The police obtained numerous fingerprints from the Safety Deposit boxes which were broken into and have eliminated all but two sets of latent prints, by comparing them with those local individuals who had Safety Deposit boxes at this place. He advised that he would send photographs of these latent prints to the Kansas City Office so this office can make any comparison they so desire with fingerprints of well known robbers and Subjects in this case to ascertain whether they had any connection with breaking into these safety deposit vaults.

Chief Johnson, on the suggestion of the writer, also stated he would place a man in the Parsons Safety Deposit Vault so as to take any party in custody who came to open box number 130.

In a dresser drawer at 4915 Troost Avenue, Apartment 8, there were also found by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan a number of keys on a ring, one of which resembled that of a safety deposit box key. It was definitely ascertained from Katherine Lonberger that this key was not the key to box 130.

Agent then contacted W. C. Crawford of the Parsons Commercial Bank, Parsons, Kansas, and he advised this bank had rented no safety deposit boxes to any unknown individuals, and further, that the key in question in no way resembled the keys used to open safety deposit boxes of this bank.

Agent likewise contacted W. O. Haubold of the First National Bank, and J. J. Flynn, of the State Bank of Parsons, Parsons, Kansas, and both of these individuals advised that the key in question in no way resembled the keys used for the Safety Deposit boxes in their respective institutions.

This ring of keys is being retained in the Kansas City Office and is being marked as recovered from 4915 Troost Avenue, Apartment 8, in view of the fact that they may be of some value in the future.

In response to Bureau letter dated February 2, 1935, instructing this office to withdraw from the local police departments in this district wanted notices prepared and issued by the Bureau on Fred Barker, which were furnished to this office with Bureau letter dated October 13, 1934, same has been done through communication with the following Police Departments:

Kansas City, Missouri;
Kansas City, Kansas;
St. Joseph, Missouri;
Jefferson City, Missouri;
Springfield, Missouri;
Joplin, Missouri;
Wichita, Kansas;
Topeka, Kansas.

All offices receiving copies of this report are urged to
examine the same carefully for leads in their respective districts.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota**

Jax FILE NO. **7-24**

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| REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Fla. | DATE WHEN MADE 5/20/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/4-5/11/35 | REPORT MADE BY F. F. Yearsley |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237 - FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No mail for anyone by name of Angus or subjects of this case, with aliases, has been received at General Delivery, Tampa, Florida, and no one has inquired for such mail. William J. Harrison unknown Tampa Dog Track. Person at Pensacola, Florida, suspected as subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran, proved to be Charles Knutsen of Canby, Minnesota, who is wintering here for his health. Another person reported as being subject Alvin Karpis and in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, has left for parts unknown, but it was rather definitely established suspect is not Karpis. Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette transferred from Miami, Florida, to Duval County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida, March 5, 1935.</p> <p>P.</p> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent F. F. Yearsley, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 1, 1935. Telegram to Buffalo Office, dated Jacksonville, Florida, March 4, 1935. Telegram to Jacksonville Office, dated Buffalo, New York, March 5, 1935.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Since the submission of the reference report, Agent has been in constant touch with H. Vincent and J. H. Jones, Clerks, General Delivery, Tampa, Florida, Post Office, and to date there has been no mail received for anyone by the name of Angus or anyone</p> <p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | <p>7-576-5166</p> <p>MAR 23 A.M.</p> <p>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>ROUTED TO: <i>[initials]</i> FILE</p> |
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using the names or aliases of any of the subjects of this case. Further, there has not been received as far as known, any mail forwarded from Box 295, RFD #7, Toledo, Ohio, or from the Casino Club at that address.

On many occasions those who attend the dog races at Tampa have been observed at which times no one resembling William J. Harrison has been observed. Further, George Mangan, Tampa, Florida, who is well acquainted with the various known hoodlums of Tampa and who frequents the local dog track, has advised that no one corresponding to the description or photograph of Harrison has been observed by him at the various "hang outs" frequented by Mangan. The local dog track is operated by one J. H. Ellis and he has been observed frequently and has not at these times been contacted by anyone resembling William J. Harrison. Due to the political set-up at Sulphur Springs, where said dog track is located, it is impossible to contact anyone within the training or operating staff concerning this matter in a confidential manner, as such contact would immediately be referred to J. H. Ellis and his self-appointed officers, which include Fred Thomas, well known "crook" and friend of the underworld. It is known that if the fact that William J. Harrison is being sought reaches Thomas and Harrison should appear, he would be supplied with the information and thereafter protected by Thomas, who would for a sum of money do most anything to aid Harrison. Fred Thomas is a former Tampa Police Department, Chief of Detectives.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. B. Donaldson and Roswell E. Smith:

The following investigation which was conducted at Pensacola, Florida, is based upon a long distance telephone call from Mr. Newby of the Bureau under date of February 20, 1935. He stated that the Bureau was in receipt of a letter from Wm. C. Riley, Aero News Company, Post Office Box 1329, Pensacola, Florida, to the effect that he, Riley, had observed a man calling for St. Paul and Minneapolis papers, who resembled photographs of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Wm. C. Riley was interviewed by Agent Donaldson at his newsstand located at 113 North Palafox Street. He verified the above information and stated that he had also informed Mr. Gene Forsyth, Director of Public Safety, for this City, of the matter. As a result he stated that Mr. Forsyth had checked up on this suspect and established that he was not Dr. Moran.

Mr. Forsyth, when interviewed at his office, confirmed Riley's statement and furnished Agent Donaldson with a memorandum on his findings. It contains the following information, which Agent later verified: The suspect is Charles Knutsen of Canby, Minnesota, 46 years of age and maintains a room at 5 East DeSoto Street. He produced identification to show himself to be a member of the DAV, Camp No. 610, Minneapolis, Minnesota, a member of the Minnesota Historical Society, No. 155-30. He also belongs to Masonic Lodge No. 103 at Canby, Minnesota, and the American Legion at the same place. Knutsen is driving a 1930 model Whippet Coach with 1935 Minnesota license plates #16-533, motor #422160. Knutsen was observed to be considerably gray and talks with a very noticeable Scandinavian accent and his prints do not correspond with those of Dr. Moran.

On the morning of March 5, 1935, Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt received a long distance telephone call from one P. F. Chester a constable at Ocala, Florida, stating that he had information which led him to believe Alvin Karpis was in that vicinity and had been seen around town at various times during the past five weeks, driving a Model A Ford Coach and doing coin tricks for local negroes.

Special Agents R. B. Donaldson and Roswell E. Smith were dispatched at once to Ocala, where they contacted Mr. Chester. He recited a hearsay story about a young man who he heard had been in and out of Ocala for the past several weeks and who had been staying at an unknown place in the far side of the County. There was nothing in the information possessed by Mr. Chester to form a real basis for his conclusion that the man was Karpis. In the course of his story Chester admitted that he heard a further rumor that the unknown person was wanted somewhere for murder or some other charge and that there was a \$750 reward for his arrest and in the same breath he admitted that he would like very much to collect said reward. It seems that up to the time of this interview informant had made no independent effort to trace the matter out although he knew of same some several days. He also informed Agents that he is not on speaking terms with the local sheriff and chief of police and requested that neither of these officials be apprised of his efforts.

Accompanied by Chester, Agents called at the home of Joe Collins, a farmer, some 6 miles West of Ocala (RFD #2, Ocala). Collins stated that two weeks ago, in the morning, he went to a nearby turpentine still on business and while there saw a stranger who was loitering, apparently,

The stranger approached him and inquired whether Collins would let him hang around his home for awhile. It seems that the stranger had made inquiry for a job around the still, but there was present only some negroes. Collins says he got mad at the man and threatened him in some manner then left. He has since heard from the negroes that after he left the stranger made some remarks about him and pulled a pistol from his zipper jacket. Collins has not seen the man since. He gave a description of the man, stating he judged him to be from 22 to 28 years old, weighing around 160 lbs., with blue eyes and chestnut sorrel hair which grew rather low about the forehead. Also he noticed a scar or some similar marking on one side of the man's face. A number of Identification Orders were exhibited to Collins. At first he said his eyes were too bad to tell much about pictures, but finally looked through the group and picked out the photograph of Alvin Karpis, stating positively this was the man.

At Martel, Florida, one mile from Joe Collins' place, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rheinisch, Jr., were interviewed. They conduct a filling station. They state that this stranger came here on February 18, 1935, driving a 1928 model A Ford Coach and purchased 5 gallons of gasoline. The car had a Florida license, number not noted. He inquired the distance to Ocala, saying he was going there on some real estate matters and that he was from East Chicago or east of Chicago. He did not have a Southern accent and did not appear to be a man employed at outside work. At 9:00 PM the same evening he returned again and wanted 2 gallons of gasoline. He bought a package of Wing Cigarettes, made some mention of being mixed up with gangsters in Southern Florida. These people have not since seen the man. They describe him as being a young man, decidedly blonde especially hair, weight 145 to 165 lbs., light blue eyes, fair skin. His hair was cut very high. Photographs were again displayed and Mr. Rheinisch was inclined to pick out Karpis, but was not so certain, while Mrs. Rheinisch rather definitely picked out Harry Campbell.

F. P. Fennell and son Harold operate a Sinclair Oil Station on the highway near Romeo, Florida. They stated that a strange man with a 1928 model A Ford Coach, some 2 weeks ago, had been around here; that he was a stranger and seemed to have some money and inquired several times for outside newspapers. He made several purchases of gasoline and one Sunday engaged in a small poker game with Harold and several other local boys. He has not been seen since and these men do not know where he stayed when in this vicinity. They describe him as age 24 to 30 years, weight 150 to 170 lbs., 5 feet 10 inches tall with grey eyes and no face scars. When shown Identification Orders, Mr. F. P. Fennell was not

certain about any particular one, but thought the photograph of Volney Davis resembled the stranger, while Harold Fennell, who was in the poker game, stated emphatically that Raymond Hamilton's photograph was without a doubt a likeness of the man. He likewise definitely stated that the photograph of Alvin Karpis was not the man. The informants say they heard that the man tried to get a job on the tung oil grove in this vicinity, also that he had left these parts for Gulf Hammock, Florida. These informants figured that the man was some sort of a crook, but they could get no line on him.

Inquiry was next made at Carvins' Tung Oil Grove, address of which is Morriston, Florida, RFD. W. C. Hart, foreman, was interviewed. From him it was learned that he is personally acquainted with all white help employed here and further, no one has recently been employed. He has not heard of any stranger as described herein applying for work of any kind nor has he seen any such person hereabouts.

At the J. C. Partin Farm, near Romeo, Florida, Agents found that neither Mr. Partin nor his son were at home. It was reported along the line that these men had seen the suspect and that the younger had rode to Ocala one night with him. Two white men working in the field on the farm stated they had heard of this person and believed he worked on the farm a few days several weeks ago for one Styles Hoppins, who resides some five miles North of here, but had left there as he could not do farm work and his whereabouts or destination was not known.

Agents reached the conclusion that the suspect is not Alvin Karpis in view of the varying descriptions, conflict in identifying photographs and his general activity locally. Constable Chester stated that he would spend further time on the matter and if anything further could be learned he would notify the Jacksonville Office.

The following was supplied by Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, stationed at Miami, Florida:

On February 28, 1935, the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, was requested to communicate with the United States District Judge at Miami, Florida, to request an order of removal for Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette from the Dade County Jail, Miami, Florida,

to the Duval County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida, since, it was suggested accommodations for the safe incarceration of the prisoners may be more suitable, conditions and circumstances of their incarceration in the Dade County Jail at Miami not being conducive to the proper detention of their type of prisoner.

Accordingly Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling, Miami, Florida, conferred with United States District Judge Halsted L. Ritter, and, on March 1, 1935, Judge Ritter signed an order of removal providing for the transfer of Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette from the Dade County Jail, Miami, to the Duval County Jail, Jacksonville, Florida.

In accordance with the provisions of the order of removal, Deputy United States Marshal Frank Edwards, Miami, left Miami with prisoners Delaney and Burdette at 11:00 o'clock on the morning of March 5, 1935, aboard the Florida East Coast Railway, arriving in Jacksonville, Florida, at 6:20 that evening, where the prisoners were taken into custody of the United States Marshal at Jacksonville and incarcerated in the Duval County Jail pending their arraignment in the United States District Court, Miami, Florida, during the term of Court scheduled to convene on or about the first Monday in April, 1935.

Prior to the removal of prisoners Delaney and Burdette, and on the afternoon of March 4, 1935, one Albert J. Murrell, was taken into custody of the Sheriff when he was detected in conversation with Delaney and Burdette from the sight-seeing tower on the twenty-fourth floor of the Dade County Building, which is one floor below which women Federal prisoners were incarcerated. Immediately after his apprehension by Deputy Sheriff Desmond Kelly, Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling and Agent were advised and Murrell was interviewed at once in the Dade County Jail, at which time he offered the following information:

He stated that he is 28 years of age; single; a bell-hop and chauffeur by occupation, and last resided at 26 Whitney Place, Buffalo, New York, and where he was employed, as a bell-hop, at the Ford Hotel prior to coming to Miami in November, 1934. Concerning his presence in Miami, Murrell stated that he has been coming to Miami for the past three seasons; that on his trip in November, 1934, he drove one Joe Cohen whom he had met at the Elk's Club in Buffalo, and that Cohen was accompanied by one Charles Martin, a friend of Cohen's, residing at

East Aurora, New York; that upon arrival in Miami, Cohen and his friend went to the Elk's Club and Murrell took a room at 428 Northeast Second Avenue; that he attempted to obtain employment, as a chauffeur, with Couture's Motor Service, Miami Beach, by whom he had been employed during the season of 1934; that inasmuch as Mr. Couture could not place him, he obtained employment as a dish washer at the Palm Island Club, a night club on Miami Beach, at the time of his arrest he was still employed there and was residing at the Tangerine Hotel.

When questioned concerning his conversations with Delaney and Burdette, Murrell stated that on Tuesday afternoon, February 26, 1935, he went to the sight seeing tower of the Dade County Building, Miami, and while there some women prisoners on the floor above called to him; that he entered into conversation with them at which time two of the women (Delaney and Burdette) informed him that they were "the girl friends of Karpis the kidnaper"; another girl, a blonde, told him her name was Jean Foster; that she was in jail on a vagrancy charge and that she was lonesome and requested that he come to visit her on visiting day. Murrell denied that any of the girls, and particularly Delaney and/or Burdette had given him any further information concerning themselves or that they had asked him to communicate with anyone for them. He further denied that he had communicated with anyone concerning the girls and disclaimed any association or acquaintance with any of the known members of the Barker-Karpis gang. He admitted that he again visited the tower a few days after his first visit; that he talked with the girls on general subjects, none of which he could mention definitely and before leaving advised the girls that he would visit them again. He denied, as on the first visit, that he had been requested by the girls to communicate with anyone for them or to bring them anything. On his last visit, the date of his apprehension, Murrell claims that he visited the tower primarily to talk with Jean Foster; that when he arrived, Delaney and Burdette advised him that Jean Foster had been released that morning and they did not know where she had gone. He claims that he did not have an opportunity to converse further since he was taken into custody.

Although questioned at length, Murrell consistently denied that he knows any members of the Barker-Karpis gang; that he has never seen any of them, other than Delaney and Burdette, and, to the best of his knowledge, had had no association whatever with the underworld characters or persons with whom they might have been intimate, either in Buffalo or Miami. With respect to his sojourn in Miami in seasons

past, Murrell stated that he was formerly employed as Chauffeur for one Sidney Graham, Detroit, Michigan, and that during the season of 1933, he drove Mr. Graham to Miami Beach and remained in his employ until after their return to Detroit; that he again drove Graham to Miami Beach during the Winter of 1934; that Graham returned to Detroit rather abruptly, because of domestic difficulties, and Murrell remained at Miami Beach, having received employment with Couture, on recommendation of Graham.

Upon completion of the above interview, fingerprints of Murrell were taken and forwarded to the Bureau by airmail by the Sheriff, Miami, Florida. The Buffalo Office was requested, by telegram, to ascertain Murrell's reputation and activities at Buffalo. In response to that wire, the Jacksonville Office was advised that Albert J. Murrell is an itinerant hotel employee and longshoreman, formerly a chauffeur to one Graham of Detroit, has no criminal record with the Buffalo Police Department and is unknown at #26 Whitney Place, Buffalo, where he claimed to have resided.

At Miami Beach, Florida:

Through inquiry of David Rosner, Manager, Biscayne-Collins Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, it was ascertained that Murrell was employed there as a dish washer for two days, February 22 and 23, 1935, when he was laid-off, because of lack of business. Rosner stated that, because of his brief employment, he could offer no information concerning Murrell, except that he considered his services satisfactory.

F. C. Couture, Proprietor, Couture's Auto Service, 825 Fifth Street, Miami Beach, stated that he has known Albert J. Murrell since the season of 1933, when he came to Miami Beach in the capacity of chauffeur for Sidney Graham, a wealthy business man from Detroit, Michigan. Couture stated that Graham is a man of good repute, although having the reputation of "sporting". He verified the information furnished by Murrell that he returned to Miami Beach during the season of 1934 as chauffeur for Graham; that Graham was in Miami Beach, but a short time when his wife, who had not accompanied Graham and who, Couture thought was in Detroit, had upbraided her husband for alleged indiscretions with women, and Graham suddenly returned to Detroit to reconcile his wife. Murrell remained at Miami Beach and at that time one Davis,

a multi-millionaire from New York City (now deceased), came to Miami Beach and rented a car from Couture. He desired a dependable chauffeur and Couture then employed Murrell whose services he claims were entirely satisfactory and Mr. Davis had expressed to Couture his pleasure with Murrell's services. After Davis returned to New York, Murrell remained in Couture's employment until the season closed, about April 1, 1934, when he left, stating that he intended to return to Buffalo. Mr. Couture stated that Murrell returned to Miami Beach during the early part of the season and sought employment, but since Couture did not have an opening at the time he could not hire Murrell. He further stated that he has seen Murrell frequently; that he has never observed him in the company of questionable characters and does not know that he has ever been involved in any trouble. Couture stated that his only criticism of Murrell is that he is "weak on women"; that he was frequently seen with women and apparently women were attracted to him.

Murrell was employed in the capacity of dish washer February 26, 1935, at the Palm Island Club, according to Leo F. Schott, Auditor. Further it was learned that Murrell stayed the night of January 18, 1935, at the Tangerine Hotel, a "flop house" at 940 North Miami Avenue. He also stayed at 428 Northeast Second Avenue, Miami, Florida, from November 8, 1934, to January 15, 1935, Mrs. C. E. Foster conducts this address. At none of these places was any particular information gained regarding Murrell as no one knew his history.

No criminal record was found as to Murrell at the Miami Beach Bureau of Identification.

Through inquiry at the Bureau of Identification, Miami Police Department, it was ascertained that Albert J. Murrell has no record of arrest, nor has he registered and submitted his fingerprints as required of transient employees, by City Ordinance.

Upon completion of the above investigation the matter was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney W. Sanders Gramling, who stated that he would not institute prosecution against Murrell since it appears that he has no connection with the Barker-Karpis gang and his visits to the Dade County Jail sight-seeing tower were possibly induced by his desire to meet and talk with women. His release was accordingly requested and the Sheriff preferred no charge against him.

Subsequent to his release, Agent was informed by Deputy Sheriff Desmond Kelly that Murrell had informed him that Wynona Burdette had asked Murrell to buy a Tulsa, Oklahoma, paper for her, but that since he did not know where to get it, he did not make the purchase as requested. Frequent searches of the cells occupied by Delaney and Burdette according to attaches of the County Jail, failed to disclose the existence of any contraband.

The following description of Albert J. Murrell, as obtained from personal observation and questioning, is set forth for the completion of the file:

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| Name | Albert J. Murrell | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age | 28 (7/16/34) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Height | 5' 8" | | | | | | | | | | |
| Weight | 145 lbs. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Build | Medium-slender | | | | | | | | | | |
| Complexion | Medium | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hair | Black, partially bald in front | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eyes | Blue | | | | | | | | | | |
| Teeth | Good | | | | | | | | | | |
| Occupation | Bell-hop, chauffeur | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marital status | Single | | | | | | | | | | |
| Residence | 26 Whitney Place, Buffalo, New York Tangerine Hotel, Miami, Fla. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Relatives | Orion L. Murrell, Buffalo, N. Y., uncle. (parents deceased) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nationality | American (Born Mandan, North Dakota) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Scars & marks | Top rt. index finger amputated; Tattoo: Cupit on pot, inscription "U.S.A.", rt. forearm, inner. Spanish girl, upper arm rt. Tiger head, upper arm, left. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Criminal record | Claims none. No record Miami or Miami Beach, Fla., Police Departments. SO, Miami, Fla. #24458. | | | | | | | | | | |
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Murrell's fingerprints were forwarded to the Bureau, via airmail, by the Sheriff's Office, Miami, Florida, on March 4, 1935, and the Bureau is being requested, by letter, to furnish the Jacksonville Office with such criminal record for Murrell as may be on file for completion of the file in this office.

Interviews with Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette prior to their removal from Miami which were conducted at the request of the Assistant United States Attorney, Miami, will be set forth in a subsequent report.

Disposition sheet as to Murrell is being forwarded to the Bureau.

PENDING

U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:PAL

March 20, 1935

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ⁶ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218-
FUGITIVE; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

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| <i>ALBERT J. MURRELL</i> | SO Miami, Fla. #24458 | 3/4/35 | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \ 1 \ U \ 100 \\ 1 \ U \ 100 \ 12 \end{array}$ |

*Reply
for info
3-29-35*

Jax #7-24

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218 - Fugitive; et al.;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
Kidnaping.

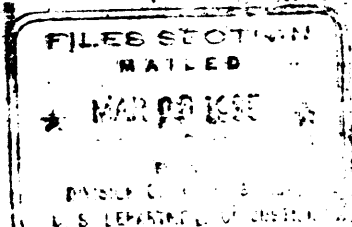
Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication dated March 20, 1935,
I am submitting below the record revealed through a search of
the identification files of this Bureau in the case of ALBERT
J. MURRELL.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.



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- Miss Gandy.....

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 22, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUG;
ET-AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

There is being transmitted herewith a small piece of cardboard measuring approximately 2" x 4", upon which are inscribed numerous symbols which seem to indicate notes taken prior to the commission of a bank robbery.

In this connection your attention is directed to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated 3-20-35, wherein it is indicated that the above piece of cardboard was among those articles recovered from Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, where recent investigation has been conducted by this office looking to the present whereabouts of Volney Davis and his associates.

It is requested that a search of the modus operandi file be instituted and information obtained therefrom speedily transmitted to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul
cc - Mr. Connelly, Chicago

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**U. S. Department of Justice
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VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUGITIVE;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

There is being transmitted herewith one exploded cartridge, apparently from a .32 caliber automatic pistol, found in 1933 Chevrolet Coupe bearing Missouri license plates 57-618, which car was in the possession of Earl Stuchlik at the time of his apprehension by Agents of this office on February 27, 1935. It will be noted by reference to reports of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35 and 3-20-35, that the above car is the property of Preston Paden, the son of Edna Murray.

As will be noted by reference to report of the above Agent dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, two .32 caliber Colt automatics belonging to Edna Murray and Volney Davis, respectively, have already been forwarded to the Bureau for purposes of analysis and comparison. It is, accordingly, requested that the exploded cartridge being transmitted herewith be examined for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not it was fired by either of the two automatic pistols mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul

cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
March 11, 1935

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| Miss Gandy..... |

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases
I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases I.O. #1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases I.O. #1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases
I.O. #1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases I.O. #1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases I.O. #1241;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

[REDACTED] who has in the past supplied confidential information to this office which was correct and who is considered a highly reliable informant, was contacted with reference to Cassius M. McDonald with whom he was acquainted. He has advised that McDonald has long been regarded as a confidence man and fixer of the first water, of national scope, among the underworld where he is endeavoring to secure specific information as to McDonald's activities and criminal record which is not recorded by fingerprints.

[REDACTED] advised that Mrs. Cassius M. McDonald has been stopping at the Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit since March 1, 1935, and he informed Special Agent D. E. Hall of this office today that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] further advised that he did not want this information to be known to anyone other than Agent Hall, as coming from him, under any circumstances. He also advised that he believed if McDonald is held in jail for a reasonable amount of time, or until trial, he will make a complete statement as to his participation in this case and as to the participation and activities of all other parties involved of whom he has knowledge. [REDACTED] also believes that Edward N. Bernard, with offices in the Dime Bank Building, Detroit, has been retained as McDonald's attorney and he will probably proceed to Florida in a few days for the purpose of posting a cash bond for McDonald.

It is noted that the bond for Cassius McDonald has been reduced from \$25,000 to \$15,000 and it is not known whether it would be possible to have this bond placed at a higher figure at the present time. However, the above information is being submitted to the Bureau only, in view of the highly confidential nature of the same, for such action as may be deemed advisable.

Very truly yours,



Wm. Larson,
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 21, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

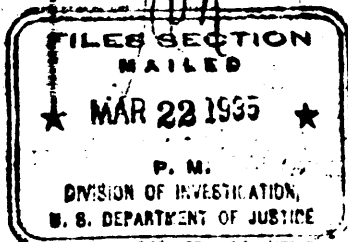
Reference is made to your personal and confidential
letter, dated March 11, 1935, advising of information obtained
by you from [redacted]

It is observed
that recent developments reflect that [redacted] furnished you
with authentic information concerning the forth-coming release
of Cassius M. McDonald, under bond at Miami, Florida.

In view of [redacted] willingness to furnish this
Bureau with confidential information, it is suggested that you
discreetly cultivate the cooperation of [redacted] to the end
that you will be kept advised relative to under-world crime
conditions in your district.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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| REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK CITY | DATE WHEN MADE 3/22/35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/18-21/35 | REPORT MADE BY JOHN J. KEATING |
| TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE. DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232 - FUGITIVE, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS Investigation at Newark, N. J. indicates that the Sawyers are not in that vicinity at this time. Reuben Bass alias Harry Evans now located at No. Long Beach, California. William Weisman contacts his wife regularly at Newark, N. J.; his address in New York not determined as yet. Identity of Lewis Brooks not established to date. He was not a defense witness in the Finiello murder trial at Elizabeth, N. J. in fall of 1930. | | | |
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| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>  <p>REFERENCES DETAILS</p> </div> <div> <p>Bureau letter dated March 9, 1935.</p> <p>Accompanied by Special Agent Suran of the Chicago Bureau office, the writer contacted Pat Quinn, Post Office Inspector at Newark, N. J. on March 18, 1935. Mr. Quinn stated that some time ago he received information that on February 5, 1935 Harry and Gladys Sawyer were at Kansas City, Missouri, and that they expected to return to St. Paul, Minnesota in</p> </div> <div>  <p>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p> </div> </div> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: F. X. Fitzgerald SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-5172 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION MAR 25 A.M. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: ONE FILE | | RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAR 25 1935 CHECKED OFF: MAR 27 1935 SECRETED: ✓ |
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the very near future. He advised that on that date Gladys Sawyer mailed a letter at Kansas City, Missouri, on the back of which was written 601 South 9th Street (no city) that this address later turned out to be the former address of Alice Conrad, with whom Mrs. Sawyer took up her residence shortly after her release from custody in September, 1934. Post Office Inspector Quinn stated that he had never received the information that Sawyer was in the vicinity of Newark, N. J. and that this information was erroneous; that he received his information from a confidential informant who is an investigator but whose name he did not care to divulge. He advised that Post Office Inspector Adolph Wick at St. Paul, Minnesota received the same information as he did relative to Sawyer. In the event, he should receive any information of value in the very near future pertaining to Sawyer and his wife, he will immediately communicate with the New York Bureau office.

[redacted] is now residing [redacted] b7c b7d

The writer recently had a letter from [redacted] in which he advised that his family and he were broke and on relief in California; that one of his children had tuberculosis and it was necessary for his wife to stay with the children in California, but that he was willing to proceed to Chicago or anywhere else if he could get the money to do so. He advised that he could be of great assistance to the Bureau on major matters throughout the country. It must be remembered that [redacted] is an important informant; that it was he who obtained the information as to the actual perpetrators of the Kansas City massacre which occurred in June, 1933. He is personally acquainted with Alvin Karpis, Harry Sawyer and, in fact, the majority of the major mobsters throughout the United States. From time to time he has supplied the Post Office officials with information which led to the solving of various mail robberies throughout the country.

[redacted]

Mrs. M. Weisman, the wife of William Weisman, is now residing at 211 Chancellor Avenue, Newark, N. J., unlisted telephone number Waverly 3-5137. Through Lieutenant Tom Diamond of the Prosecutor's office at Newark, N. J., it was ascertained that William Weisman visits his wife's home on Chancellor Avenue three or four

times each week; that on some occasions he drives up in a Cadillac car with a chauffeur, sometimes in an old dilapidated Ford and on other occasions in a New York or New Jersey taxicab; that Weisman keeps very irregular hours, generally arriving at his home in the early hours of the morning.

Through Lieutenant Diamond it was ascertained the following telephone calls were made and telegrams sent from telephone Waverly 3-5137, between September 1, 1934 and February 21, 1935:

- September 1, 1934 • Western Union telegram to Harrigay, Fall River, Mass.
- September 10, 1934 • Long distance telephone call to Stanley Weisman, Columbia, Missouri, telephone Columbia 5245. Charge \$9.25.
- September 11, 1934 • Call to Ingersoll 2-0458, New York City.
- September 18, 1934 • Call to Mulberry 2565, which is located at 5603 St. Louis Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. T. F. Sanders answered telephone and the party from Newark asked for Dr. F. F. Sander.
- September 21, 1934 • Telephone call to Columbia 5245, Columbia, Mo., charge \$8.50.
- September 29, 1934 • Call to Columbia 5245, charge \$4.50.
- October 2, 1934 • Western Union telegram to Fall River, Mass., signed "Sister Rose and family".
- October 4, 1934 • Call to Evergreen 7-1481, New York, (Brooklyn).
- October 12, 1934 • Call to Orchard 4-5062, New York, N. Y.
- October 15, 1934 • Western Union telegram to Mr. and Mrs. Slanker, New York City. Symbols on telegram - 55-3.
- October 13, 1934 • Western Union telegram to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wiseman, New York City. Symbols 30-2.

October 15, 1934 - Esplanade 5-7792, New York City.
 October 17, 1934 - Eldorado 5-3000, New York City.
 October 17, 1934 - Eldorado 5-3000, New York City.
 October 20, 1934 - Western Union telegram to Chicago, Illinois,
 signed "Mother".
 October 25, 1934 - Western Union telegram to St. Louis,
 Missouri, signed "The Weisman Family".
 October 26, 1934 - Western Union telegram to Chicago, Illinois,
 signed "Aunt Mayn".
 November 7, 1934 - Reversed long distance call from Columbia,
 Missouri, charge \$5.25.
 November 11, 1934 - Orchard 4-3062, New York City.
 December 5, 1934 - Butterfield 8-3533, New York City.
 December 17, 1934 - Essex 9558, Newark, N. J. Call made collect
 and transferred to Essex 2-5519, at which
 number someone talked to one Bob Scrg.
 December 20, 1934 - Sedgwick 3-5088, New York City.
 December 27, 1934 - Esplanade 5-7792, New York City.
 December 28, 1934 - Trenton, N. J., 3-0488.
 January 2, 1935 - Columbia, Missouri, 5245.
 January 1, 1935 - Eldorado 5-3000, New York City.
 January 5, 1935 - Western Union ^{wire} to St. Louis, Mo., signed
 "Ben and Shirley Weisman".
 January 5, 1935 - Western Union telegram to St. Louis, Mo.,
 signed "Uncle Bill".

January 5, 1935 - Western Union telegram to St. Louis, Mo., signed "Star Goldfeder".
 January 10, 1935 - Esplanade 5-7792, New York City.
 January 11, 1935 - Esplanade 5-7792, New York City.
 January 11, 1935 - Cleveland 3-8303, Richmond Hill, L.I.
 January 12, 1935 - Cleveland 3-8303, Richmond Hill, L.I.
 January 18, 1935 - Western Union telegram to Columbia, Mo.
 January 19, 1935 - Sedgwick 3-5088, New York City.
 January 28, 1935 - Long distance call to 5245, Columbia, Mo., reverse charges \$5.90.

February 4, 1935 - Trenton, N. J., 2-4290.

February 6, 1935 - Cathedral 8-0955, New York City.

February 14, 1935 - Long distance call to Stanley Weisman, Columbia, Mo., 5245, charge \$10.75.

February 15, 1935 - Chelsea 2-4523, New York City.

February 17, 1935 - Chelsea 2-4523, New York City.

February 18, 1935 - Chelsea 2-4523, New York City.

February 21, 1935 - Western Union telegram to the Bridge Club Girls, Irvington, N. J.

A check-up of the local New York telephones disclosed the following:

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| Sedgwick 3-5088 | - | Jack Leder | - | 2526 Valentine Ave., Bronx |
| Esplanade 5-7792 | - | Harry Shneiweis | - | 1852 E. 4th St., Brooklyn |
| Cleveland 3-8303 | - | Philip H. Bearkan | - | 843B-120th St., Richmond Hill |
| Ingersoll 2-0458 | - | Samuel H. Levy | - | 3212 Church Ave., Brooklyn |
| Evergreen 7-1481 | - | Worthington Holding Corp. | - | 338 S. 3rd St., Brooklyn |

Orchard 4-3062
 Butterfield 8-3533
 Eldorado 5-3000
 Cathedral 8-0965
 Chelsea 2-4523

Abraham Shenberg
 Abram N. Fromberg
 Waldorf-Astoria
 Belle Levy
 Betty Fouché

18 Monroe St., New York City
 182 E. 73rd St., NYC
 50th & Park Ave., NYC
 589 W. 111th St., NYC
 84 Jane St., NYC

Information pertaining to the numerous toll calls and telegrams sent from Waverly 3-5137 may be obtained on subpoena from Mr. A. Bittig, General Counsel, New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, 540 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.

Reference is made to letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 12, 1935, in which is set out that Lewis Brooks alias Louis Brooks, who is a friend of subject Sawyer, proceeded to St. Paul on or about August 27, 1932, and obtained an apartment at 1018 Osceola Avenue, through Mrs. Gladys Sawyer; that it was reported at that time that Lewis Brooks proceeded to St. Paul in the interest of the defense in the trial of Al Silverberg and Jack Newman for the murder of Al Loeb, a New York gangster; that Brooks came to St. Paul from Philadelphia with three other men and it was thought that they were probably there for the purpose of intimidating witnesses or attempting to fix the jurors in the trial of the case which was in progress at that time; that it was reported also that Lewis Brooks was a defense witness at the trial for the murder of John G. Finiello, Prohibition Agent at Elizabeth, N. J., in the fall of 1930.

Records of the Finiello case in the County Prosecutor's office, at Elizabeth, N. J. were checked, and indicate that no person by the name of Lewis Brooks testified for the government or for the defense.

The true identity of Lewis Brooks has not been established by the New York office to date although it is reported by the Chicago office that it is apparent that Brooks and William Weisman are closely associated.

In the report of Special Agent J. D. Glass, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated November 18, 1932 in the case entitled Frank Nash with aliases, I.O. 1166, Fugitive, Escaped Federal Prisoner, there is set out a list of long distance calls made from the telephone of

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Harry Sawyer at St. Paul, Minnesota. It is noted that on August 6, 1932, a call was placed at Columbus 5-3232, New York City. This number is listed in the name of J. A. Scott, 236 West 55th Street, New York City, business - postage stamps.

Mr. Frank Shea, Post Office Inspector of New York City, was contacted, and he advised that Scott is in the postage stamp business and that to date the Post Office Department had received no complaints on him and, as far as they knew, he was a reputable man. The Post Office Inspector advised that he would check up on Scott more closely to determine if he were dealing with any mobs or peddling stamps stolen from various post offices. When this telephone call was made to Scott from Sawyer's telephone, the writer recollects that there had been a lot of post office robberies in the northwest about that period.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE, through the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, 540 Broad Street, Newark, N. J., will obtain the listings of all long distance telephone calls and Western Union telegrams sent or received from Waverly 3-5137, which number is listed under the name of Mrs. M. Weisman, 211 Chancellor Avenue, Newark, N. J. Mr. A. Bittig is the proper party to contact at the telephone company.

Will make arrangements with Lieutenant Tom Diamond of the Prosecutor's Office, Newark, N. J., to place a tap on Weisman's unlisted telephone, which is Waverly 3-5137, at Newark, N. J., in an endeavor to ascertain Weisman's connections in the vicinity of Greater New York.

Arrange to have a surveillance made of Weisman's house and, if possible, shadow him to ascertain where he is residing in Greater New York. He is reported to be living with one Nellie O'Connor somewhere in Brooklyn, N. Y. Nellie O'Connor was formerly a night club singer at Newark, N. J. Weisman was formerly connected with Vernon C. Miller, Harry Sawyer and the St. Paul mob in general, as well as being closely associated with mobs in Chicago and with the Haar Brothers at Savannah, Georgia. He is reported to be in the gambling racket at this time with one Abe Shonberg alias Goldberg.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE

It is suggested that the Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles office communicate with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is an important informant who has given representatives of the Bureau a lot of good information on major gangs throughout the country from time to time. If handled tactfully, valuable information may be elicited from him as to the possible whereabouts of Alvin Karpis, Harry Sawyer and the other subjects who are wanted in this case. In making a contact with [REDACTED], mention this agent's name.

ST. PAUL OFFICE

Contact Post Office Inspector Adolph Wick, St. Paul, Minn., to determine the possible whereabouts of subject Harry Sawyer and his wife.

NEW YORK OFFICE

Will communicate with Post Office Inspector Frank Shea at New York City for further information relative to J. A. Scott, 235 West 55th Street, New York City, Scott being in the postage stamp business.

Will contact Inspector Michael F. McDermott, Third Detective District, 150 West 68th Street, Manhattan, telephone Trafalgar 7-7274, for any information he may have relative to the identity of Lewis Brooks alias Louis Brooks and, further, to establish if Louis Buchhalter alias Lepke is at this time in New York City. McDermott has a contact who advises him from time to time as to the movements of the Lepke mob.

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 314,
Birmingham, Ala.
March 23, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232;
et al - - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

In connection with the above entitled case Special Agent R. D. Brown of the Chicago Office telephoned this office at 8:30 P. M., on March 20th, stating that a letter had been received in Chicago on March 15th, addressed to some relatives of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, which letter was post-marked in Atlanta, Ga. Special Agent Brown also advised that it was known that Moran at the present time is traveling for some medical instrument company.

The Birmingham Office is conducting appropriate investigation in connection with the above information in Atlanta and during the investigation no information has been found concerning Moran's whereabouts in Atlanta, but there was found that the General Delivery clerk in the Atlanta Post Office had a forwarding address placed by one John Moran on Feb. 23, 1935, giving his forwarding address as General Delivery, Birmingham, Ala.

Inquiry was then made in Birmingham where it was learned from the General Delivery clerk that one John Moran on Feb. 25, 1935, had requested that his mail be forwarded to Warrenville, Ill., of which fact the Chicago Office was advised. There was also obtained from the General Delivery clerk in the Birmingham Post Office, a card that was filled out by John Moran on Feb. 25th, requesting that his mail be forwarded to Warrenville. The original of this card was secured and is attached hereto for a study in the Laboratory to determine if it is the handwriting of subject Joseph P. Moran. It is requested that the Bureau return this forwarding card after it has served its purpose in order that it may be returned to the Post Office Department in Birmingham.

It might be mentioned that as a result of further inquiry that was made in Birmingham, subject Moran has been tentatively identified as

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having called at the Childrens Hospital in Birmingham, on March 11th, at which time he claimed to be representing a surgical supply house in Nashville. The Nashville Office has been apprised of this and instructed to conduct an appropriate investigation in that city.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Hanson
J. H. Hanson, *Wls*
Special Agent in Charge.

ENC.

CC: Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill.
St. Paul

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 John Moran shot #181409
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MARCH 22, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases I.O. #1237 - Fug., ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING

RE: RUSSELL E. LANE with aliases, ET AL
KIDNAPING - HARBORING VOLNEY DAVIS

The attention of the Bureau is called to the reports of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan in the above entitled cases dated at Kansas City, Missouri 3-20-35 and 3-22-35, respectively, in which the recent activities, both prior and subsequent to the apprehension of Russell "Spike" Lane, in Kansas City, Missouri on 2-22-35, are set out.

In this connection there is being transmitted herewith a lengthy specimen of Lane's handwriting, procured from the offices of Rodda & Hyde, Insurance Adjusters, 1004 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. It is requested that the same be analyzed and the results obtained from such analysis speedily transmitted to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan
R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Encl.
cc - 2 - St. Paul
cc - 2 - Mr. Connally, Chicago
cc - K. C. file 7-89-

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Laboratory Report

Case: Brekid

Number: 7-576-5174

Specimens: Original handwriting specimens of Russell "Spike" Lane consisting of statement relative to automobile accident, signed "Jess Swearingen".

Examination requested by: Kansas City Bureau Office.

Date received: 3-25-35

Examination requested: Handwriting.

Result of examination:

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Examination by: Appel.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

March 22, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.#1218 - FUGITIVE;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.#1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.#1237 - FUGITIVE;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.#1238;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O.#1240;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.#1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.#1241;
OLIVER A. BERG with aliases - FUGITIVE;
BRUNO PUTAS with aliases - FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated March 19, 1935 in which it was requested that immediate steps be taken to cause the necessary papers to be forwarded to the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, with a view to filing a detainer against PUTAS.

A letter was directed to Mr. Connelley at Chicago from this office under date of February 7, 1935 advising him that it was the intention of the United States Attorney to immediately forward the necessary papers on PUTAS for the purpose of having a detainer filed against him.

This matter was again taken up with the United States Attorney on the morning of March 22, 1935 and he advised that he had on February 7, 1935 forwarded the necessary papers to the United States Attorney at Chicago.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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CC E.J. Connelley

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U. S. Department of Justice
P.O.Box 515, St.Paul,Minn.

March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St.N.W.,
Washington,D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O.#1235; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O.#1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE EATON, with
aliases, I.O.#1241; OLIVER A. BERG, with
aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St.Paul File No.7-30.

It is respectfully requested that the following items of eviden-
tiary value, now in possession of the Bureau, be immediately forwarded to
this office so that proper summary report may be prepared and the articles
in question may be in the hands of the United States Attorney in ample time
for prosecution:

Original ransom notes, reading as follows:

1. Note to Chas. McGee - "You are hereby declared in".
2. Note to Chas. McGee - "You must be proud of yourself".
3. Note to McGee - "If you can wait".
4. To "Dear Walter" - "I'm sorry to have called on you".
5. To "Dearest Patz" - "Please don't worry".
6. To "Dr. H. T. Nippert" - "I am enclosing herewith two letters".
7. To Chas. McGee or Adolph Bremer - "YOUR LAST CHANCE - You better stop listening".

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8. "Listen you" - signed "N.R.A."

9. To Chas. McGee or Payoff Man (John B. Brakeham). ✓

10. To "My Dearest Patz & Hertz". ✓

11. To "My Dear Father". ✓

12. To "My Dear Father Deere". ✓

13. To "My Dear Lil". ✓

14. To "Chas. McGee or Honest Adolph" - "The coppers jinned". ✓

15. To the Payoff man - "From here on you are to assume the name of John B. Brakeham". ✓

16. To Adolph Bremer - "We are now dealing with you". ✓

It is also requested that the original envelopes in which the above notes were received, be forwarded to the St. Paul Office, as well as the corn meal box and the box containing the pieces of a broken bottle in which ransom notes were delivered in this case.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D.M. LADD, *rec.*
Special Agent in Charge.

KRM:TC
CC Connelley - Chicago.

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P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218,
FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
I.O.#1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1237, FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O.#1232; WILLIAM WEAVER,
with aliases, I.O.#1238; HARRY SAWYER,
with aliases, I.O.#1240; WILLIAM J. HARRISON,
with aliases, I.O.#1239; MYRTLE RAYON, with
aliases, I.O.#1241; OLIVER A. BENO, with
aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

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5. To "Dearest Pat" - "Please don't worry".
6. To "Dr. H. F. Wippert" - "I am enclosing herewith two letters".
7. To Chas. McGee or Adolph Bremer - "YOUR LAST CHANCE - You better stop listening".

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8. "Listen you" - signed "H.B.A."
9. To Chas. McGee or Payoff Man (John B. Brakesham).
10. To "My Dearest Pat & Herby".
11. To "My Dear Father".
12. To "My Dear Father Deere".
13. To "My Dear Lil".
14. To "Chas. McGee or Honest Adolph" - "The coppers jinned".
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Very truly yours,

KRM:TC
CC Connelley - Chicago.

D.M. LAID,
Special Agent in Charge.

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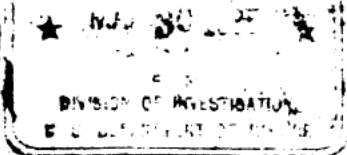
Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 22, 1936, in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218, Fugitive; Harry Campbell, with aliases, I.O. #1235; Volney Davis, with aliases, I.O. #1237, Fugitive; Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I.O. #1238; William Weaver, with aliases, I.O. #1239; Harry Sawyer, with aliases, I.O. #1240; William J. Harrison, with aliases, I.O. #1239; Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, I.O. #1241; Oliver A. Berg, with aliases, Fugitive; et al. Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping, Harboring and Obstruction of Justice, National Firearms Act, your file No. 7-50.

There are being transmitted to you under separate registered cover the following items of evidence in the above mentioned case.

1. Original note to Chas. McGee—"You are hereby declared in." Accompanying envelope addressed "Chas. McGee, Personal."
2. Original note to Chas. McGee—"You must be proud of yourself."
3. Original note to Chas. McGee—"If you can wait." Envelope in which the above was received addressed to "Walter Magee or Adolph Bremer."
4. Original letter to Walter H. Magee—"Dear Walter - I'm sorry to have called on you." Envelope in which above was received addressed "Mr. Walter H. Magee."
5. Original letter—"Dearest Patz. Please don't worry." Envelope in which above letter was received addressed "Mrs. Edward G. Bremer."
6. Original letter to Dr. Nippert beginning "Dear Doctor; I am inclosing herewith two letters." Envelope in which the above letter was inclosed addressed "Dr. H. T. Nippert, Lorry Building, St. Paul, Minnesota." Envelope typewritten address "Dr. H. T. Nippert. Personal. Please deliver at once."



Handwritten signatures and initials:
H. J. [unclear]
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7. Note to Chas. McGee or Adolph Bremer beginning "YOUR LAST CHANCE. You better stop listening."
- Envelope in which the above was received addressed "Walter McGee and Adolph Bremer."
8. Photostatic copy of note beginning "Listen you" signed "W.B.A.", the original of which was never received in the laboratory.
9. Original note to Chas. McGee or pay-off man (John B. Brechtman) "no more conceal previous instructions."
- Envelope in which the above was received addressed "Mr. John B. Brechtman."
10. Original letter beginning "My dearest Pats and Harry."
- Original envelope in which the above was received addressed "To Mr Bremer's wife."
11. Original letter beginning "My dear Father. I have seen the newspaper."
- Envelope in which the above was received addressed "Adolph Bremer, personally."
12. Original letter beginning "My Dear Father Deere; I am calling on you."
- Original envelope in which the above was received addressed "Therese Deere, John Deere, Prior Lake, Minnesota."
13. Original letter beginning "My Dear Lili, as my old standby."
- Original envelope in which the above was received addressed "Miss Lillian L. Ditzman, 1023 Cortland Street, St. Paul, Minnesota."
14. Original note beginning "Chas. McGee or Honest Adolph. The copies justified the last."
- Envelope in which the above was received addressed "Walter McGee or Adolph Bremer."
15. Original note beginning "To the Payoff man. From here on you are to assume the name of John B. Brechtman."
- Envelope in which the above letter was received addressed "Walter McGee or Payoff Man."
16. Original note beginning "Adolph Bremer. We are now dealing with you."
- Envelope in which the above letter was received addressed "To Adolph Bremer."

There is also being transmitted with the above mentioned original letters the envelope box and the box containing the pieces of broken bottles

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in which ransom notes were delivered.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

MARCH 22, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUG. I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. #1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. #1237 - FUG., ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 21, 1935, stating the desire of the Bureau that interview with Mrs. A. E. Seiberling, care of Earl and Ellis Cafe, West Plains, Missouri, be expedited, and directing the attention of this office to Bureau letter dated January 26, 1935, addressed to Mr. Seiberling, acknowledging receipt of his letter dated January 22nd.

Please be advised that the same has been done and the leads obtained therefrom exhausted by Special Agents L.S. Vandover and A.J. Norstrom, of this office. In this respect your attention is respectfully directed to report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-21-35, on pages 89,90,91 and 92.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - St. Paul
cc - Mr. Connelly, Chicago

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U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

March 22, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with
aliases, I. O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with
aliases, I. O. 1237, FUGITIVE; WILLIAM
WEAVER with aliases, I. O. 1238; WILLIAM
J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I. O. 1240;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. 1241;
OLIVER A. BERG with aliases, FUGITIVE;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

Reference is made to my letter dated March 21, 1935, in
the above entitled case, requesting that the complete criminal
records of Frank Gallichio, Joe Gallichio and Sam Mano be fur-
nished this office. (7) (4/2/35)

Special Agent R. D. Brown, who dictated this letter,
furnished the police numbers of these three men, but failed to
specify that the numbers listed are Chicago Police Department
numbers. In the cases of Frank Gallichio and Joe Gallichio two
numbers were furnished. The first numbers are the old Chicago
Police Department numbers and the latter numbers, recent Chicago
Police Department numbers.

Very truly yours,

E. D. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-St. Paul

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NEW YORK CITY

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U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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BREKID WIRE NUMBER ROUND TRIP TICKET GREAT EASTERN BUS RECEIVED ALICE
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

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| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236 VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1237; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Alice Conrad, presently residing with Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Moratti (brother-in-law and sister of Alice Conrad) at 54 West 86th Street, New York City, under surveillance continuously from hour of arrival until 10:30 A.M. 3/22/35. Surveillance then discontinued as it indicated that she has contacted only persons met through her sister. Jerry Peters, Superintendent of 54 West 86th Street, voluntarily maintaining surveillance and advising New York Office of telephone calls, visitors and mail received by Conrad woman and the Morattis.



REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent W. F. Seery, New York City, dated March 20, 1935.

DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK CITY

Continuing report of surveillance of Alice Conrad, who is presently residing with her brother-in-law and sister at the apartment occupied by the latter at 54 West 86th Street, New York City.

As previously stated, Mrs. Carlo (Esther) Moratti (sister of

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| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. X. Tray</i> | SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | 7-576-5229 | RECORDED AND INDEXED MAR 27 1935 |
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Alice Conrad) is employed as a waitress at Annette's Restaurant, 58 West 59th Street, New York City. Mr. Carlo Moratti is employed as a waiter at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Lexington Avenue between 49th and 50th Streets, New York City.

Under date of March 19, 1935, the Conrad woman with Carlo Moratti attended Loew's Theatre, located on Broadway near 45th Street, and with Moratti returned to 54 West 36th Street at 3:45 P.M. At 8:30 P.M., same date, Alice Conrad and her sister, Mrs. Carlo Moratti, left the apartment and attended Loew's Theatre on Broadway near 44th Street. They returned at about 11:05 A.M., March 20, 1935. The Conrad woman was under constant surveillance in the street and in the theatre and it was observed that she did not contact any person.

Under date of March 20, 1935, Alice Conrad and Mrs. Moratti left 54 West 36th Street at 10:45 A.M. They separated at Sixth Avenue and 59th Street, Mrs. Moratti proceeding to Annette's Restaurant, 58 West 59th Street, and the Conrad woman proceeding to Times Square Post Office where she mailed a post card and two letters, addressed as follows:

Post Card - Mrs. Jack Wells - Lake View, Iowa.

Message - "Having fine time. Nothing exciting happened."

Letter - Marjorie Kennard, 331 Webster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. (Special Agent Surayadvises this person is known to the Chicago Office and does not need checking.)

Letter - Mrs. Wendall Billars, 723 North 53rd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

After mailing the card and letters she returned to her sister's apartment at 11:55 A.M.

At 2 P.M. she again left the apartment and proceeded to the St. James Theatre, 246 West 44th Street, where she joined an elderly woman, description:

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| Age | 55 |
| Height | 5'-2" |
| Weight | 150 |
| Build | Very stout |
| Hair | Very grey |
| Glasses | Rimless glasses |
| Dress | Dark blue coat with light collar |
| Peculiarities | Huddles slightly when walking |

This woman was kept under surveillance while she made a small number of purchases in a chain grocery store and she then proceeded to 57 West 58th Street, where she entered the Coronet Apartments.

Alice Conrad returned to her sister's apartment at 5:55 P.M. and at 8:30 P.M. she again left the apartment accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Moratti. They proceeded on a window shopping tour and finally entered the Bloomfield Department Store at 118 East 14th Street, where they listened to phonograph records and examined radios and sporting goods. They returned to the Moratti apartment at 11:05 P.M.

Under date of March 21, 1935, Alice Conrad and Mrs. Moratti left the apartment at 10:55 A.M. and proceeded to Macy's Department Store, 34th Street and Broadway, where they did some window shopping and returned to their apartment at 1:30 P.M. At 3:45 P.M., same day, the Conrad woman with Mr. and Mrs. Moratti left the apartment and proceeded in the direction of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Enroute, the Conrad woman deposited a letter in the mail box on the southwest corner of 57th Street and Fifth Avenue. Agents maintaining surveillance ascertained that said letter was addressed to Mrs. Paul Conrad, 601 South 9th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

After the Morattis and the Conrad woman left 54 West 56th Street, Agent contacted building superintendent Jerry Peters, who displayed a letter addressed to Miss Alice Conrad with the return address, Mrs. Paul Conrad, 601 South 9th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The handwriting indicates that the writer is an elderly person, probably a woman, and due to the thinness of the outer envelope, when held against the light, several words were discernible, some indicating that probably the letter was from the mother of Alice Conrad and contained nothing of importance.

At the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, the Conrad woman and her sister bought cocktails and Carlo Moratti left them. He proceeded to the Lexington Lunch Bar, 134 East 51st Street, where he partook of a small meal, and then returned to the Waldorf-Astoria, employees' entrance, where he punched the time clock at 5:13 P.M.

The Conrad woman and Mrs. Moratti remained at the Waldorf until 5:45 P.M., at which time they left and proceeded along Fifth and Park Avenues between 40th and 50th Streets window shopping, stopping en route at a Child's Restaurant for an additional cocktail. They then proceeded to the Drake Hotel Beauty Shop, operated by "Jean" and remained there until approximately 8 P.M., at which time they left there accompanied by Madame Jean LeCann and a Mrs. Brillely of 32 West 57th Street, at whose apartment the Morattis and the Conrad woman attended a party on the night of March 17, 1935. The woman proceeded to the corner of Fifth Avenue and 57th Street where they met another woman and all five boarded a bus and proceeded to 61st Street and Woodside Avenue, Long Island City, where they took a taxi to the LeCann

Brothers' Garage and Automobile Sales Agency (DeSoto and Plymouth) located at 60-01 Northern Boulevard, Queens, Long Island. From there they were driven to the home of one of the LaCann Brothers and finally to their apartment at 54 West 36th Street. The Conrad woman and her sister arrived home at 2 A.M., March 22, 1935.

During the surveillance, Agent observed that the Conrad woman did not contact any person other than those mentioned above and that all conversations overheard by Agents pertained to dresses, styles, beauty treatments, etc.

Agent has completed arrangements with Jerry Peters, Superintendent of the buildings at 52, 54 and 56 West 36th Street, whereby he will keep this office advised as to visitors, mail and telephone calls received by the Conrad woman and the Morattis. It was ascertained from Peters that the Morattis do not have a telephone; that there is no public telephone in the halls of the apartment building; that if they desire to use the telephone, they secure his permission to use the one in his apartment. Inasmuch as it is necessary for him to unlock his apartment to permit them to enter, he is present during these telephone conversations.

Inasmuch as the surveillance to date indicated that the Conrad woman is visiting her sister as she advised the Chicago office prior to her departure, and as her conduct to date indicates that her visit to New York is in the nature of a vacation trip and that she has not contacted any person other than friends of her sister while in New York, Acting Special Agent in Charge Whitley communicated with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago and Mr. Newby of the Bureau relative to the advisability of continuing the surveillance. It was decided, in view of the coverage afforded by Superintendent Jerry Peters, surveillance could be discontinued March 22, 1935.

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NEW YORK OFFICE at New York City will keep in touch with Superintendent Jerry Peters and report any information of value.


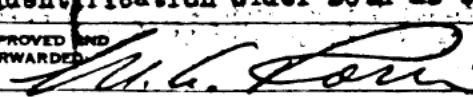
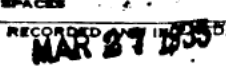
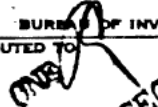
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| REPORT MADE AT: Nashville, Tenn. | DATE WHEN MADE: 3-25-35 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3-21-35 | REPORT MADE BY: Wm. T. MORTON |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE- I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE- I.O. 1237; WILLIAM MELVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240; MYRTLE EATON, with aliases - I.O. 1241; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
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| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Member of Dorothy Lang's Musical Revue believed to be identical with Myrtle Eaton, I.O. 1241, by manager and employees of Orpheum Theater, Memphis, Tenn. Dorothy Lang's Musical Revue departed Memphis 3-21-35 enroute Kansas City.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Mr. James Hillen, 128 Linden Ave., Memphis, Tenn., advised Agent that on the night of March 20, 1935, and while attending a public dance, he was approached by a man, whose name he did not know, and advised that one of the women playing in the show at the Orpheum Theater at Memphis was wanted by the Government; that her name was Myrtle Eaton. Mr. Hillen stated that while employed in the U. S. Secret Service office at Memphis, he noticed that there had been issued an identification order for Myrtle Eaton. He stated that he was personally acquainted with the manager of the Orpheum Theater and the stage hands employed there and felt that they could be openly approached about this matter.</p> <p>Mr. Charles Mensing, Manager, Orpheum Theater, Memphis, Tenn., was exhibited a copy of the Myrtle Eaton identification order, and immediately stated to Agent that one of the women who played in Dorothy Lang's Musical Revue at his theater on the previous night, was identical with the subject on the identification order both as to appearance and physical description. He stated that</p> | | | |
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he did not know any of the names of the members of this show. They completed their engagement at his theater on the night of March 21, 1935 and departed from Memphis enroute Kansas City, Mo. He had no record that would disclose further information of this show, other than that they obtained their engagements through and were routed by Amy Cox, MKO Booking Agency, Kansas City, Mo.

It should be stated that this information was first brought to Agent at 6:00 P.M. on March 21, 1935.

In the absence of Mr. Mensing, Messrs. Kimo and Charles Cullins, who are in charge of the back stage affairs of the Orpheum Theater, were interviewed and displayed a copy of the Myrtle Eaton identification order. They immediately expressed a positive opinion that one of the women of the recent show at that theater was identical with Myrtle Eaton. Mr. Charles Cullins advised of having a date with her on the night prior to this investigation. Both of these men furnished the same description of the woman they had in mind as that appearing on the identification order, except that the woman they referred to has her hair dyed red. They were unable to recall any names, nor further descriptive data, as they explained that they seldom pay much attention to the individuals of a show, with respect to their former addresses, destination, etc. However, these men did recall that this show departed Memphis on the morning of March 21, 1935, via bus and enroute Kansas City, Mo. A search was made for any forwarding addresses or mail left behind to be forwarded, but none was found of this particular troupe.

Upon receipt of this information it was immediately related to the Kansas City Bureau Office telephonically.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 23, 1935

Time - 10:45 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

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Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

I telephoned Mr. Hanson at the Birmingham Office and informed him that we had received a note from the State Department this morning to the effect that Alvin Karpis was seen in a bar in Havana on Friday night of last week. I told Mr. Hanson that it was planned that he should proceed to Miami alone and there meet Agent McKee, who is being sent from the Bureau. I told him that the schedules of McKee were not worked out as yet, but Mr. Hanson would be advised by telegram what time McKee would arrive in Miami; that after they get together in Miami, the two of them should proceed to Havana and see what information they might get concerning this matter.

I told Mr. Hanson that it was not believed necessary that he should take any Agents with them to Havana; that it was thought that all of the local assistance that is needed can be gotten very easily there. Mr. Hanson concurred in this, adding that the United States officers working in Havana seem to be very cooperative and efficient.

I told Mr. Hanson to bear in mind the previous associations with the Ambassador over in Cuba, and to see him when they arrive in Cuba, after which they should begin to conduct the appropriate investigation.

Mr. Hanson mentioned that he is supposed to report to Washington on Monday, March 25, 1935, for re-training, but I told him that this would have to be postponed.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
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AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY:

March 26, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases;
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to my telegram to the Bureau, dated March 25, 1935, in which I advised of the sentences imposed when subjects Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, were arraigned before Federal Judge Halsted L. Ritter, in Court in Miami, Florida, on March 25, 1935.

Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Resident Agent at Miami, Florida, who with Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, attended the arraignment, in his memorandum dated March 25th, 1935, furnished the following additional information:

When Delaney and Burdette were arraigned and entered pleas of guilty to the indictments pending against them, mentioned on Page 137 of the Report of Special Agent in Charge, J. H. Hanson, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 20, 1935, they were sentenced to serve in actual time five years each in an institution to be designated by the Attorney General. (The Marshal's Office at Jacksonville has advised that information has been received from the Director of the Bureau of Prisons that the Detention Home, Milan, Michigan, has been designated as the institution in which sentences are to be served.)

The following sentences were imposed:

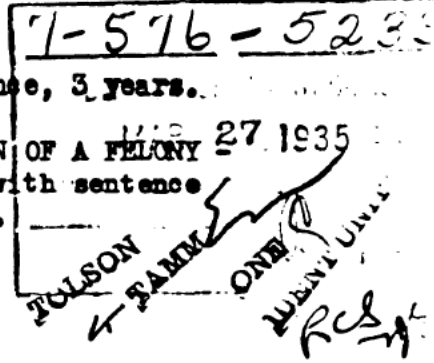
DOLORES DELANEY

Indictment #4628: MISPRISION OF A FELONY - Sentence, 3 years.

Indictment #4613: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MISPRISION OF A FELONY
Sentence - 2 years concurrent with sentence imposed under indictment #4628.

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Indictment #4629: HARBORING AND CONCEALING ALVIN KARPIS; sentence, 6 months, concurrent with indictment #4628, and consecutive with #4613.

Indictment #4608: CONSPIRACY TO HARBOR AND CONCEAL ALVIN KARPIS; sentence, 2 years, consecutive with indictments, #4628, #4629 and #4613.

Indictment #4610: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MISPRISION OF A FELONY (by concealing knowledge that Karpis fled to avoid prosecution in the United States District Court for the State of Minnesota); sentence 2 years concurrent with indictment #4608 and consecutively with indictments #4628, #4629 and #4613.

WYNONA BURDETTE

Indictment #4617: MISPRISION OF A FELONY; sentence, 3 years.

Indictment #4613: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MISPRISION OF A FELONY; Sentence, 2 years concurrent with sentence imposed under indictment #4617. *Post 4-5-35 2/3*

Indictment #4616: HARBORING AND CONCEALING ALVIN KARPIS; sentence, 6 months, concurrent with indictment #4617, and consecutive with indictment #4613.

Indictment #4608: CONSPIRACY TO HARBOR AND CONCEAL ALVIN KARPIS; sentence, 2 years, consecutive with indictments #4617, #4616 and #4613.

Indictment #4610: CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MISPRISION OF A FELONY (by concealing knowledge that Karpis fled to avoid prosecution in the United States District Court for the State of Minnesota); sentence, 2 years concurrent with indictment #4608, and consecutively with #4617, #4613 and #4616.

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Under indictment #4613, CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MISPRISION OF A FELONY, I have been advised that the count in that indictment charges concealment of knowledge that Karpis fled the State of Minnesota, to avoid prosecution under a felony statute cognizable by that State. In the report of Special Agent in Charge Hanson, above mentioned, on page 137, it is indicated that the indictment charging Conspiracy to Commit Misprision of a Felony (presumably indictment #4613) is in two counts; one alleging concealment of knowledge that Karpis was a person who had fled in interstate commerce to avoid prosecution for a crime cognizable under the laws of the United States, and a second count alleging the same offense for failing to disclose that Karpis had fled in interstate commerce to avoid prosecution for a crime cognizable under the laws of the State of Minnesota, whereas there were two separate indictments to cover those allegations (indictments #4613 and 4610).

During the proceedings Agent Donaldson, at the request of Assistant United States Attorney Gramling, very briefly and pointedly outlined such information concerning the activities of Delaney and Burdette as was necessary.

Parole reports and disposition sheets will be submitted as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - 2 -St. Paul
2 -Mr. Connelley.
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St. Paul, Minnesota

March 25, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 829
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File 7-30.

Reference is made to your letter of March 23, 1935
advising that Bruno Austin, with aliases, had been taken into custody,
and requesting to be immediately furnished with identifying witnesses
to appear before the United States Commissioner at the hearing.

United States Attorney George F. Sullivan, St. Paul,
Minnesota, advised that Special Agent K. R. McIntire is the only person
who testified regarding Austin who could be used as a witness in the
removal proceedings. He stated that Bolton testified regarding one
Whitey but apparently does not yet know the identity of Whitey. It is,
of course, impossible to consider using Bolton as a witness at the
removal hearing. Special Agent McIntire is extremely busy in connection
with the preparation of summary reports in captioned case, and it will
seriously handicap the working of this office if he is called away on
subpoena at this time.

United States Attorney Sullivan further advised that after
reviewing the facts in his possession it did not appear possible to
prosecute Austin in captioned case; however it might be possible to use
him as a witness, although to date the information he has given is with-
out value insofar as prosecution of the case is concerned.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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